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CHURCH SERVICES.

Program for the Lenten Exercises at the Episcopal Churches.

SUNDAY AT GRACE M. E. CHURCH

Special Song Service Held at the Christian Tabernacle in Honor of Rev. Hall's Return.

The Lenten season will begin the third of this month, that day being Ash Wednesday. For forty days the members of the Episcopal and Catholic churches will lay aside all wordly pleasures. While the season is only kept by certain denominations it is more or less generally observed. Those who observe Lent are supposed to make some sacrifice during the season. Special services will be held at some of the churches. The following is the program for the Lenten services which will be held by Rev. Frank N. Atkin at St. John's Episcopal church:

Ash Wednesday—Martins, litany, holy communion, 10:30 a. m.

Evensong and sermon, 4:30 p. m.

Sunday—Holy communion, 7 a. m.

Matins, litany and sermon, 10:30 a. m.

Evensong and sermon, 7:30 p. m.

Week Days—Evensong and lecture except Wednesdays and Fridays, 4:30 p. m.

Evensong and sermon, 7:30 p. m.

Good Friday—Matins, litany and sermon, 10:30 a. m.

Evensong and lecture, 7:30 p. m.

Easter Day—Holy communion, 7 a. m.

Matins, sermon and holy communion, 10:30 a. m.

Sunday school jubilee, 3 p. m.

First Baptist Church.

The large congregation that assembled at the Baptist church on Sunday morning could not help being inspiring to the pastor and encouraging to the church, and especially so as this is no ordinary thing at this church. One, a young man was received for membership, at the close of a sermon by the pastor, on "At Home with Christ." The evening service was different from any of those previously held, being "An Evening with the Hymn Writers." Such hymns as "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," was sung with excellent effect by the quartet, the congregation joining in some of the hymns. But previous to the singing the pastor in announcing the hymns gave the name of the authors, what is known with reference to them, and the circumstances under which the hymns were composed, with touching incidents as to their effect upon other hearts. The variety thus introduced was pleasing and profitable and many requests were made for similar services in the future.

Lent at All Angels'.

At All Angels' Episcopal church on Ash Wednesday Rev. Bedford-Jones will celebrate holy communion at 7 a. m. and evensong at 7:30 p. m. During Lent services will be held every Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock when an address will be made by the rector. Confirmation classes will be held at 4 p. m. Sundays and 8 p. m. Friday evenings. The Sunday services during Lent will be held at the regular hours.

Grace Methodist Church.

Sunday twenty-two members were united to Grace Methodist church, ten of whom were baptized at the mission. In the evening the pastor dismissed regular services at the church and with many of his members went to the chapel where eleven persons professed conversion, swelling the number to 116 who have been converted at the church altar. The evening meetings will be held a few evenings this week to complete the work. There were 191 in attendance at the mission Sunday school and 468 at the Church school.

At the Tabernacle.

A special song service was held Sunday evening at the Christian tabernacle. The large chorus choir under the leadership of Prof. Calvin, rendered some excellent music. The attendance was large. Anthems, songs and hymns were rendered. The pastor, Rev. George F. Hall, who has been traveling in the west, occupied his pulpit in the morning service.

Attention, Wheelmen.

Would you think of taking a fine watch needing repairing or cleaning to a watchmaker with only two or three years' experience? Of course you would not, too much risk. Now it will pay you to use the same care with your bicycle. We have in charge of our repair shop a man who is a thorough mechanic, and has had sixteen years' experience in bicycle building and repairing. He built bicycles before the day of automatic machinery for such work, and is therefore familiar with every detail of their construction. Bring your wheel to us for careful and proper repairing, enameling, etc. All work guaranteed. H. Mueller Gun Co.—1-def

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LEE AND CUBA.

Documentary Evidence That the Consul-General Did Ask for War-Ships.

PAPERS LAID BEFORE U. S. SENATE.

Full Texts of All the Cable Messages Sent to the Department—The Senate Stands by Lee in the Matter.

New York, March 2.—A special from Washington to the Herald says that complete confirmation of the Herald cable from Havana developed in the capital last evening.

The correspondence between Secretary Olney and Consul General Lee was placed before the senate, and it proved beyond doubt that Mr. Bonsal was telling the exact truth when he reported that General Lee had made a demand for ships, and that he would not remain in office if the department at Washington did not support him in his demands on Spain for justice to American citizens.

It is considered remarkable that the replies of Secretary Olney to the demand of General Lee did not accompany the correspondence.

Text of the Telegrams.

The most important are the telegrams in the case of Charles Scott, which are as follows, being telegrams sent by Consul General Lee to the state department. On Feb. 20 Mr. Lee telegraphed as follows to the state department:

"Charles Scott, a citizen of the United States, has been arrested at Regla. No charge given. He has been without communication in jail at Havana 264 hours. I cannot stand another Ruiz murder, and have demanded his release. How many war vessels are at Key West, or within reach, and will they be ordered here at once if necessary to sustain a demand? Lee."

On the 23d he said in a cable message: "Situation is simple. Experience at Guimabacoa made it my duty to demand before too late that another American who had been incommunicado twenty-four hours be released from said incommunicado, and did so in courteous terms. If you support it, and Scott is so released, the trouble will terminate. If you do not, I must depart. All others arrested with Scott have been in communication. Why should the only American in the lot not be so? He has been incommunicado now 336 hours. Lee."

Later on the same day, the 23d ult., Mr. Lee wired:

"Demand complied with. Scott released from incommunicado today on demand after fourteen days' solitary confinement in cell 5 feet by 11; damp, with water on the bottom of the cell. Not allowed anything to sleep on or a chair. Discharges of the body removed once in five days. He was charged with having Cuban postage stamps in the house. Scott says he went always twelve hours without water: once two days. He was an employe of American Gas company. Lee."

Sylvester Scovill's Case.

The most voluminous correspondence is that in the case of Sylvester Scovel, correspondent of the New York World, who was arrested on Feb. 5. The documents furnished show that Mr. Lee promptly notified the state department and that Mr. Olney responded immediately, directing him to see that all of Scovill's right as an American citizen were protected. The letters and telegrams in this case run from the 5th to the 19th of February, when Mr. Lee informed the department that a competent lawyer had been secured to defend Scovel. He had said previously that he did not anticipate serious trouble in this case, but later changed his opinion and said: "It is supposed Scovel bore incriminating papers, which gives the case a more serious aspect."

On Feb. 11 General Lee said that Scovel was in a well ventilated cell and that he had good food and a bed at Sancti Spiritus, to which he added: "Treaty rights have been respected. Is in hands of civil jurisdiction. I have sent a messenger to report the case." General Lee tried to have Scovel removed from Sancti Spiritus to Havana, but failed.

Senate Stands by General Lee.

The remaining case covered is that of F. J. Casanos, arrested Feb. 13, but on what charge does not appear. General Lee's first information to the state department was contained in a telegram on Feb. 17. In this dispatch he conveys the information of the arrest, which he says took place at Sagua and says the consul's report will follow, adding: "Proceedings a great outrage. Similar cases here and elsewhere on the island. Redress can be obtained here."

On the 25th General Lee stated, in reply to a message from the state department, that Casanas had resided at Sagua when arrested and that he had registered at Havana as an American in 1872.

The presence of the message on the clerk's desk was noised about before it was formally laid before the senate, and many senators called to read it previous to its being read by the clerk. There was especial interest in the case of Mr. Scott, the telegrams relating to whose case Senator Morgan had read for the information of the senate. There was special comment upon the trivial character of the charge against Mr. Scott—that of having Cuban postage stamps in his house—and General Lee's attitude was generally remarked upon by the pro-Cubans in most eulogistic terms. Evidently the near approach of the end of the session prevented the precipitation of another Cuban debate.

DISCUSSES PRIZE FIGHTS.

Probable that the Bill to Prohibit Publication of Details Will Be Beaten.

Washington, March 2.—The bill to prohibit the transmission of detailed accounts of prize fights by mail or telegraph was brought up in the house. This led to a very lively skirmish, in which prize fighting was denounced on all sides, and the advocates of the bill insisted that the "sickening details" should be suppressed in the interest of good morals. But the bill met with most strenuous opposition on the ground that it would tend to establish a censorship of the press. At the end of the debate the adversaries of the measure outvoted the friends of the bill on several filibustering motions, but an agreement for a recess until today put an end to hostilities. The bill now becomes the unfinished business whenever the call of committees is reached, but as conference reports have the right of way it is doubtful whether that order of business will again be reached this session.

Mr. Aldrich, who called up the prize fighting bill, said that while this bill would not prevent the "mill" scheduled to take place in Nevada on March 17, or the transmission of a news item of the result, it would prevent the broadcast dissemination of the "sickening details" and the demoralizing preliminaries, with which the columns of the newspapers already teemed.

Mr. Morse advocated the passage of the bill "as a protection of the youth of the country." He said he hoped the result of the fight would be that "these two brutes" would kill each other. General Grosvenor expressed the opinion that the necessities of morality and public order demanded the suppression of prize fighting.

"If I lived in a state," said he, "which had nothing else to commend it, I might favor prize fighting." (Laughter.)

Mr. Dockery opposed prize fighting, he said, as much as any one, but this bill would establish a censorship of the press, and if carried to its logical conclusion would necessitate a bureau for that purpose.

Mr. Cummings characterized the bill as dangerous legislation. He said if it ever passed many of the books in the congressional library could not be sent through the mails.

Mr. Hepburn closed the debate with an earnest plea for the bill.

SUICIDE THEORY REJECTED.

Relatives of a Comer, (Ill.) Young Man Cause a Post Mortem Examination.

Carlinville, Ill., March 2.—George R. Walton, aged 26 years, who lived with his aunt, Mrs. James Vanoil near Comer, committed suicide Feb. 13, according to a jury empaneled by Squire George Wright at the time. He was a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, being insured in that organization for $500. Deceased also had $2000 loaned out on good security.

His brothers and sisters, who live near Womac, were not satisfied with the verdict, suspecting foul play. On Sunday State's Attorney Vaughn, Coroner Hart and two physicians had the remains exhumed and a post mortem examination was made. The investigation will be held when the jury and witnesses will be examined. Rumors are rife and there is a great deal of speculation as to the final outcome.

Lively Election at Normal.

Normal, Ill., March 2.—The biennial town election was held yesterday and the following were chosen: For president of the board of trustees, Otto Seibert; for trustees, G. H. Coon, James Hoselton, John Norris, A. J. Houchen and D. C. Smithen. This ticket was nominated by a mass meeting of the people. It is said to favor the breaking of the present special charter by which the town is kept in the ranks of temperance and anti-license. The "charter breakers" were defeated nearly three to one two years ago. The vote cast was large and the election an exciting one.

Naphtha Burned.

Baku, Russian Trans-Caucasia, March 2.—Over 2,000,000 pounds of naptha were burned today in the naphtha springs district.

M'KINLEY'S TRAIN.

Arrival of the Next President and Party in Washington City.

GREAT SEND-OFF BY CANTON PEOPLE

For the Major—All Stopping at the Ebbert House—Only Two Days More of Democracy.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 2.—The special train bearing President-elect McKinley and party arrived at 6:45 a. m. and remained ten minutes, then proceeded on its journey. In spite of the early hour several thousand people gathered at the station in the hopes of getting a glimpse of the distinguished party, but Major McKinley was up late last night and was still sleeping when the train arrived here. By direction of Governor Hastings the presidential salute of twenty-one guns was fired from the arsenal as the train passed. The run from Altoona to this point was without incident.

At Altoona a great crowd gathered at 3 a. m., and all during the night there was whistling of locomotives and bands playing.

At Baltimore.

Baltimore, March 2.—Major McKinley waved salutations to the country school children gathered along the road and bowed a smiling good morning to the company track laborers, while he sat at breakfast in his private car at 9 o'clock this morning. Breakfast over he made a tour of the train, calling on his guests. "I feel in splendid health," he said to the Associated Press representative. His first act after arising was to call on his mother in the car adjoining his. He found her at breakfast. At Baltimore train sheds and viaducts round about were covered with 5000 cheering people. He stepped out on the rear platform and bowed acknowledgments. The train was photographed at slow speed, five miles out of Baltimore on its way to Washington.

Arrival at Washington.

Washington, March 2.—The McKinley train arrived shortly after 11 o'clock. The party was driven direct to the Ebbitt house where it will be quartered until possession is taken at the White House. In accordance with Major McKinley's wishes there was no escort or display connected with his entry into the national capital. He vetoed the arrangement for the military escort and allowed only a formal reception and greeting by a small committee of prominent local gentlemen. Of course it was large, enthusiastic on the part of the public. The train stopped only at Baltimore after leaving Harrisburg. It was greeted by large crowds as it passed through towns on the way.

Visitors Arriving.

Washington, March 2.—The railroads are pouring inaugural visitors into the town and with bunting flaring from innumerable windows, the city is fairly alive to the fact that inauguration day is at hand. Special trains will pour soldiers, clubs and private citizens into town every hour of the day or night until noon of March 4. Should the estimates of the several railways running into Washington hold good, there will be a crowd of 225,000 strangers in the city for the 4th of March. This may not be accurate, although it is based on a comparison with the crowds carried in 1893, together with the sales, applications and general organized business of the roads up to date.

Cheering by railroad employes was heard at every station until Harrisburg was reached.

McKinley's Mate.

Paterson, N. J., March 2.—Vice President Hobart and family left at 10 a. m. today for Washington.

Parting Scenes at Canton.

Canton, Ohio, March 2.—The citizens of Canton, last evening, arranged a great demonstration, on the departure of President-elect McKinley and party for Washington. Everybody joined in the demonstration, and everybody was happy.

The Send-Off.

It was not until 6 o'clock that the demonstration proper began with the organization of escorts, but long before that time the uptown streets began to fill with people, waiting curiously and not too patiently for the parade. Others were lingering about the station, anxious to catch a glimpse of or, mayhap, make an inspection of the handsome cars, stories of the beauty of which they have read for days. But the train was not long in the station, nor was there opportunity for more than a cursory review. It arrived from the Alliance yards about 5:30 o'clock, where the cars were submitted to a careful inspection and test during the day.

Promptly at 6 p. m. the bands, military, clubs and citizens began to organize in the city hall square. Captain Harry Frease, who commanded the famous Canton troop during the campaign, was chief marshal, and Captian H. L. Kuhns his chief of staff. They soon brought order out of chaos in the assembled multitude, and a more devoted escort man never had than that which shortly before 7 o'clock marched to the McKinley home. A platoon of white gloved policemen headed the line, and back of it came the Canton troop. This is an organization of nearly 100 representative citizens, organized early in the campaign to receive, escort and otherwise entertain the visiting delegates. They wore military coats, broad-brimmed hats, top boots, light colored gauntlets and are all well mounted and well drilled in cavalry tactics. The troops leaves for Washington today and will participate in the inaugural parade.

Following the troop came Canton's famous Grand Army band. This in turn was followed by the 3d battalion, 8th regiment, Ohio national guard. This regiment was to have been honorary escort to the president-elect on the trip to Washington and from the capital station to the hotel, but the failure to secure satisfactory railroad arrangements prevented this, as well as other Ohio military organizations, to join in the inaugural demonstration. Three companies, a signal and a hospital corps constitute the battalion.

In the order named were the Canton Business Men's association, Grand Army posts, old soldiers, the First Ward Republican club club (of which Major McKinley is a member), the Second Ward Republican club, other clubs and societies and unorganized citizens of Canton, Massillon and other surrounding towns.

Thus organized, the column marched through the public square and up Market street hill, passing the McKinley home, and then countermarching on Market street. When the Business Men's association was opposite the McKinley gate the column halted and waited for Major and Mrs. McKinley and their attendants to enter the carriage in waiting.

This carriage was drawn by four horses, and around it the members of the Canton Business Men's association stationed themselves as a guard of honor. Two mounted aids rode abreast of the carriage horses, and the business men completed the hollow square in which the carriage moved.

The McKinley arch, just at the foot of Market street hill, was illuminated as darkness fell over the city, and shone resplendent as the column marched under it, going to and from the McKinley house. Hundreds of tri-colored incandescent lights sent their soft rays far along the street on either side, and made bright for the time the decorations and statuary, now worsted by the weather. It was probably illuminated for the last time last night, and the marchers as they passed looked backward for a last glimpse of what is now the most conspicuous reminder of the exciting campaign in Canton last fall, in which hundreds of thousands of people from all quarters of the country participated. It will be with regret that the razing of this structure will be viewed by Cantonians.

There was no detour from the direct route to the station made by the column. Along the line the carriages containing the president-elect and wife was kept in a halo of brilliant light from flambeaux emitting lurid red rays, replaced from time to time as they burned dimly. At various points along the line colored fires were also burned, and, though there was no organized effort in that line, individuals at various places sent sky rockets and Roman candles whizzing through the air. As the head of the column reached the train and halted the rear pushed forward, and the crowds from the sidewalks mingled with the marchers, until the platform and surrounding streets were filled with a seething, surging mass of humanity, each striving heroically to get nearest the point where the president-elect would be last seen, and some striving for a last hand-shake, although the committee had arranged that there should be none of this.

McKinley's Farewell Address.

From the rear platform of the train at Canton the major made the following address to his friends who were at the station to bid him farewell:

"My Neighbors and Friends and Fellow-Citizens—On the eve of my departure to the seat of government, soon to assume the duties of an arduous responsibility as great as can devolve upon any man, nothing could give me greater pleasure than this forewell greeting, this evidence of your friendship and sympathy, your good will, and, I am sure, the prayers of all the people with whom I have lived so long and whose confidence and esteem are dearer to me than any other earthly honors. To all of us the future is as a sealed book, but if I can, by official act, or administration, or utterance, in any degree add to the prosperity of our beloved country, and the comfort and well being of our splendid citizenship, I will devote the best and most patriotic efforts of my life. The assumption of the chief magistracy is of such grave importance that partisanship cannot blind the judgment or accept any other considerations but for the public good of all to every party and every section. With this thought uppermost in my mind, I reluctantly take leave of my friends and my neighbors, cherishing in my heart the sweetest memories and the tenderest thoughts of my old home—my home now, and, I trust, my home hereafter, so long as I live. I thank you and bid you all good-by."

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

Policy Toward the McKinley Administration to be Framed.

Philadelphia, March 2.—An important conference of the leaders in this country will be held within a few days after the inauguration of President McKinley for the purpose of formulating a policy to be conducted toward the new administration with reference to its dealing with Cuban affairs. The date of the conference has not as yet been fixed, nor has the place of meeting been decided upon. It is likely that it will be held in this city.

It is the intention of the promoters that there shall be present delegates from Chicago and other points west, from Boston, New York, Washington and from the Florida towns. Minister Estrada Palma will be present and preside over the proceedings. Among the other prominent Cubans who will give advice and take part in the conference are: Dr. John Guiterns of this city, Gonzalo de Quesada, Charge de'Affaires of the Cuban legation at Washington, and General Julio Sanguilly, a few days ago released from Moro Castle.

MADE A SENSATION IN CHURCH.

Pastor Rebuked by One of the Congregation for Criticising Portions of the Bible.

Madison, Wis., March 2.—A sensational incident occurred in the Presbyterian church Sunday. Rev. J. W. Cochran, the pastor, in his sermon developed the belief that while in general the bible was the inspired book, portions of it are not inspired.

Just before the benediction Rev. Charles Sterling, also a Presbyterian divine, and formerly professor of Hebrew in Omaha university, but now connected with Wisconsin university, rose up in the gallery and asked the pastor if he considered this doctrine Presbyterianism, and, if so, whether it was not a matter which should be brought before the presbytery.

The pastor replied that he was willing.

Old members of the church say today, however, that it will not come before the presbytery, as the only way in which this could be done is through charges made by the sessions of the church, and that nearly all the members of the sessions share in the belief of the pastor.

MASSACRED BY THOUSANDS.

2000 Musselmen in Their Graves—Fate of 4000 in Doubt.

Paris, March 2.—A special from Canea says: It is reported that 2000 Musselmans are interrd in the fortress near Selino, all massacred. There is great apprehension in regard to the fate of 4000 Musselmans besieged near Candia.

Canea, March 2.—The Musselmans are so excited at the danger of their co-religionists, that the lives of Europeans are in danger and the foreign consulates are threatened.

Chicago Tanneries Resume.

Chicago, March 2.—The big tanneries which have been idle for the past two weeks, as a result of the strike and lockout of the tanners and curriers, opened their doors Monday as the initial step in the direction of submitting the trouble to the state board of arbitration for adjustment. Most of the men returned to their old places. The move on the part of the men was no unanimous, and the disagreement among them resulted in several disturbances, none of which resulted seriously, however.

Barry Wins the Fight.

New York, March 2.—Jimmy Barry of Chicago, the world's champion bantam boxer, last night met Jack Ward of Newark, N. J., at the American Sporting club, in a twenty-round bout at 110 pounds. Barry was looked after by Parson Davies, Tom O'Rourke, Joe Choynski, Bob Armstrong and Jack Cassidy. In Ward's corner was Jack Dougherty, Joe Fletcher and Denny Ward. At the end of the last round Barry was awarded the fight by the referee.

The Public Debt.

Washington, March 2.—The monthly statement of the public debt, issued March 1 shows that the debt on Feb. 28, less the cash in the treasury, was $1,012,600, an increase for the month of $4,592,000. This increase is accounted for by the increase in the national bank redemption account and a decrease of $2,525,000 in cash on hand.

State Senator Dying.

Quincy, Ill., March 2.—State Senator Albert W. Wells, chairman of the Democratic caucus and steering committees and leader of his party at Springfield, is dying at his home here of liver complaint. He is unconscious and his near relatives have been summoned.

THE FIGHTERS.

How the Big Pugilists are Putting in Their Time Training.

THE POWERS ARE MOVING SLOWLY.

Collective Note from Foreign Ambassadors Has Not Yet Been Sent to Greece.

Carson, March 2.—Fitzsimmons says all the talk that he is not doing enough work is silly. He was in fighting trim when he arrived in Nevada, and there need be no fear that he will not be ready the day of the fight. He did the usual work in the gymnasium yesterday, keeping the trainers on the jump for an hour.

Corbett had five men in waiting to take turns at the gloves, sparring with each man without a moment's intermission for two rounds each, with the exception of Jeffreys, who came in for three rounds. For thirty-four minutes he kept it up, changing men at the end of each round. In a bout yesterday morning Corbett landed some apparently vicious uppercuts, which caused Jeffrey's jaw to come together with a snap. Unfortunately his tongue was caught between them and, for several seconds, the big fellow held his jaws with both hands and howled with pain.

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Constantinople, March 2.—All the rumors concerning the transmission of a collective note by the ambassadors, accompanied by an ultimatum, from here to Greece, are premature. Monday evening the ambassadors here had not even received the terms in which this note is to be couched. Consequently the opinion is that, owing to the near approach of the Bairim festival, on Thursday, the eventual transmission could hardly be made before Sunday.

It is no longer doubted here that this note will be accepted by the porte. Meanwhile it is hoped that Greece by that time will be induced to accept it. The ambassadors continue to use all their efforts to persuade the sultan to cease his armaments.

According to dispatches received by the ambassadors incendiarism in Crete continues. A very serious encounter took place at Wiscelaki, five Greek miles from Canea, between insurgents, supported by Greek troops and Turkish troops. The latter returned to Canea.

The blockade of the entire coast of Crete, which is now maintained with the greatest vigor by the entire foreign fleet, is very sensible. The want of provisions is felt throughout the entire islands. The inhabitants of Candia have asked for the removal of the blockade, thereby to provide themselves with provisions for one week.

The French officer commanding the sailors debarked at Candia has asked for instructions.

M'CLAUGHRY IS IN CHARGE.

Joliet Penitentiary is Turned Over to Him by the New Board of Commissioners.

Joliet, Ill., March 2.—Last night Warden Robert L. Allen became, as he said, "a plain citizen of Joliet," when he retired from the management of the state penitentiary.

At noon in the St. Nicholas hotel the new commissioners, Shaughnessey, Green, and Pierce, met and formed the board. Mr. Shaughnessey was elected president, Mr. Pierce secretary. Major McClaughry was sworn in as warden and Moses H. Luke deputy. Mr. Luke had neglected to secure bonds before he left Pontiac, but this difficulty was soon overcome by Henry Alexander and Howard Snapp, who signed the bonds. Major McClaughry was accompanied by nine trusty friends, selected as guards on the wall and inside, they being selected from different parts of the state. The crowd at the prison was immense, so that when the warden drove up at 2 o'clock his hands were filled with applications for office.

"Captain Luke and myself," said the warden, "sorted over eight bushels of applications for positions before we left Pontiac."

The penitentiary was turned over to Warden McClaughry last evening when the prisoners had been locked up. The retiring commissioners, with the appraisers, went over the prison today to take stock.

Long Accepts.

Boston, March 2.—Ex Governor John D. Long today announced that he had accepted the navy portfolio in McKinley's cabinet.

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COUNCIL MEETING.

The Aldermen Occupied Much Time Last Evening Discussing Small Matters.

GOGERTY DEFIES THE MAYOR

When He Was Not Allowed to Talk as Much as He Wanted—Most Matters Which Came Up Were Referred to Committees.

The meeting of the city council last evening was a rather long one but only a small amount of business was transacted. A great deal of time was taken up by Alderman Gogerty who disputed every matter that came up and argued with the mayor his right to talk as long as he wanted to. Mr. Gogerty wanted a change made in the minutes of the last meeting. He objected to the resolution for an ordinance making the salary of the mayor $2000 per year and wanted that part taken out of the minutes. It was decided that such action was out of order and the minutes were approved.

Frank M. Gaddis sent a communication to the council asking that the city replace the fence which they had taken down from his premises. The city attorney a short time ago ordered the fence taken down to open Johnson avenue. Some of the aldermen were in favor of granting the request, but Thayer and Hankins protested and claimed that if the fence was put up again the city would be admitting that they were in the wrong. The matter was finally referred to the street and alley committee.

A number of property owners asked that a lateral sewer be built in the alley between Leafland avenue and Condit street from Jasper street east to Lowber street. Referred to the public improvement committee.

Charles W. Erwin asked permission to run a pop corn wagon on the street from Cheap Charley's corner to the Irwin drug store corner. There was a long discussion on the subject but it resulted in the prayer of the petitioner being granted.

Charles Stern complained that there was a ditch of watch in front of his house at No. 1139 East Condit street and asked that the city instruct the street superintendent to fill it up. The communication was referred to the street and alley committee with power to act.

C. E. Connelly asked permission to erect a sign over the sidewalk in front of his place of business on East Eldorado street. Referred to the sidewalk and crossing committee

An ordinance for the creating of the office of city electrician and including rules for putting up electric wires in the city was introduced by the fire commissioners They recommended that the ordinance be passed It was read by the clerk and then referred to the ordinance committee.

Mr. Gogerty objected and wanted it referred to another committee. The mayor, however, commanded him to take his seat and he was not allowed to talk on the subject.

The report of the city trasurer showed a balance due the bank of $7,937.02. The balance on hand in the different funds is as follows: Sinking fund, $14,937.90; street paving fund, $3838.51, sewer fund, $178.98; library fund $1463.19.

The street superintendent reported that he had expended during the month $338 33. The engineer at the water works reported that he had pumped 50,000,000 gallons of water and used 312 tons of coal during the month of February. The chief of the police reported the total number of arrests as being 42. The reports were all received and placed on file.

Sewer Inspector Sampson sent in a report on an examination he had made of the sewer in the alley first north of Eldorado street. He reported that he had had no complaint to make with the sewer.

The committee having in charge the offer of $450 made by Sherry Tuttle for ten acres of the city land, reported that it was not advisable to sell any part of the land. The report was adopted.

A number of bills were allowed and ordered paid. Two were referred to the finance committee for investigation. One was a bill for the repair of Kramer's vehicle which was broken by the patrol wagon and the other was a gas bill.

Resolutions.

The resolutions were notable from the fact that they provoked little or no discussion. On the resolution calling for an ordinance to regulate the department stores, Alderman Thayer asked that each man be furnished with a typewritten copy so that he could study the matter and that action on the question be postponed. He couldn't make that win.

The vote on the motion to table was as follows: Yes—Bold, Carter, Gephart, Gogerty, Hankins, Irwin, Johnson, Simpson and Thayer. No—Hill, Ahrens, Montgomery, DeWitt and Mathias.

The resolution to give Mrs. O'Connor $250 made its regular appearance and was buried.

Alderman Irwin said that the matter had no place in the proceedings and that the only way it could come was by reconsidering the vote by which the same resolution was laid on the table at the last meeting. Alderman Gogerty immediately moved to reconsider. But the point was raised that he had voted in the negative. He demanded the record and the clerk read the vote and found that Alderman Gogerty had voted against the motion to table. Then Alderman Mathias sprung a new one. He said that he had been absent, had not voted on either side and he wanted a reconsideration. The chair entertained the point but the motion was lost. The resolutions were as follows:

Whereas, At the meeting of the council held on August 10, 1896, a special committee was appointed, directed and empowered to make careful surveys, maps, estimates, etc., for location of the projected Oakland avenue sewer, which report was submitted to this council at its last meeting and ordered to lie upon the table, and whereas said reports, maps, etc., have been fully discussed by members of this council, therefore be it

Resolved, That said reports, maps, estimates, etc., be taken from the table and referred to the public improvement committee with directions to examine the same consulting with the city engineer and report with their recommendation as to adoption or rejection, and that said special committee be and is hereby discharged from further consideration or action in regard to said Oakland avenue sewer. Adopted.

By Johnson: That Mrs. Bridget O'Connor be allowed $250 for funeral and doctor bill of her son, Tom O'Connor, killed while in the employ of the city. Tabled.

By Hill and Carter: That the street superintendent be instructed to open the waterway at the corner of King and Monroe street. Adopted.

By Johnson: That the Wabash Railroad company be and is hereby instructed to place a flagman at Water street between the hours of 7 p. m. and 7 a. m. at once. Tabled.

By Gogerty: That the city attorney draw an ordinance that Front street be paved a width of sixty feet from East Eldorado street to East Cerro Gordo street. Referred to public improvement committee.

By Gogerty: That North Morgan street be paved from the north side of East Cerro Gordo street to the south side of the Wabash Railroad company's right of way and that the city attorney be instructed to draw up an ordinance to that effect. Referred to public improvement committee.

By Irwin: That each alderman furnish the city clerk the names of three judges and two clerks in each voting precinct for the city election to be held April 30, 1897, also place where said election shall be held, giving number and street. Adopted.

By Mathias: That the sewer on Cerro Gordo street from Broadway west to the alley between Main and Water streets be lowered so as to give better drainage to property situated on North Water street. Referred to public improvement committee.

By Mathias and Simpson: Whereas, The city insurance expires March 8, 1897, and whereas, the said expiration is prior to another meeting of the city council, therefore be it.

Resolved, That the same be referred to the purchasing committee with power to act. Adopted.

Alderman DeWitt had a long preamble and resolution aimed at department stores. It deplored the centralization of capital, the ill effect of making employes out of the employers by concentration of such capital and upheld the benefits derived from a town possessed of trades people following individual lines of business The resolution provided that the city attorney should draft an ordinance and have it ready for the next meeting for the regulation and licensing retail dealers. The resolution further provided for thirty-eight classes of business and says: "And the ordinance shall further provide that any person or firms engaged in any of the foregoing schedules shall obtain a license for each year beginning on May first, 1897, and shall pay the city the sum of $40 a year for the same. If more than one line of merchandise is carried the amount of the preceding line shall be doubled thus making the license fee for every line added double the amount paid on the last. The penalty prescribed was $100 a day for carrying on any business described without having procured a license." The resolution was laid on the table.

Pronounced Insane.

Augusta Lindsey, a woman who lives four miles northwest of Niantic, was on Sunday declared insane by a commission appointed by the county court and will be sent to one of the hospitals for the insane. Two years ago she fell from a wagon, receiving an injury from which she never entirely recovered. Two weeks ago she took a severe cold and developed symptoms of insanity. She grew worse and for the last few days she has been more or less violent. She imagined she was pursued by wild animals and had to have constant attention.

The farmers in the lower end of Tazewell county will soon pay the last assessment on the big drainage ditch which was constructed twelve years ago. The ditch reclaimed 50,000 acres of land and raised the price from $3 and $4 to $70 and $80 per acre. The men benefited have been enabled to pay for the improvements at the rate of $1 per acre per year.

Mrs. Caleb Baldwin, of Delavan, died at that place Wednesday night at the advanced age of 83 years.

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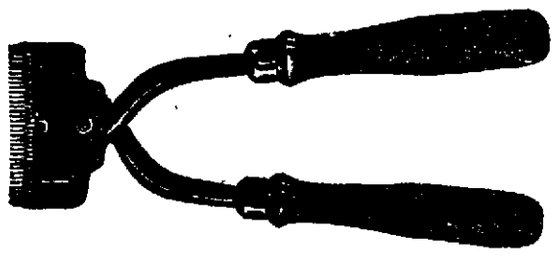

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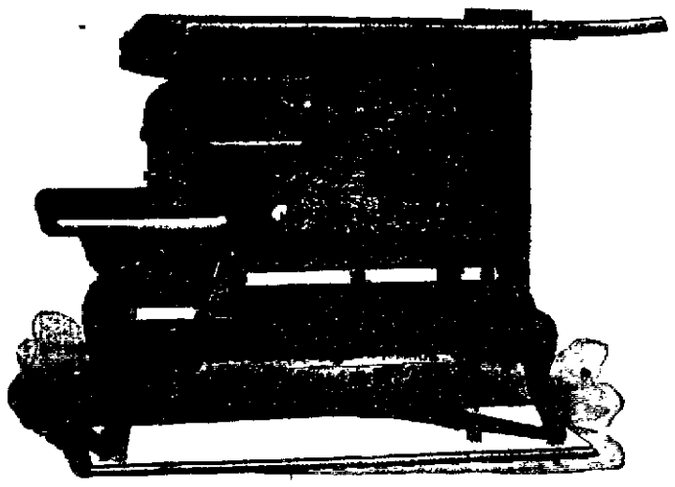

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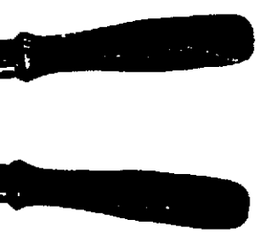

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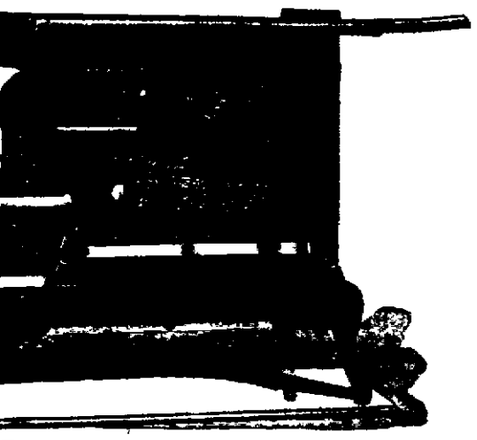

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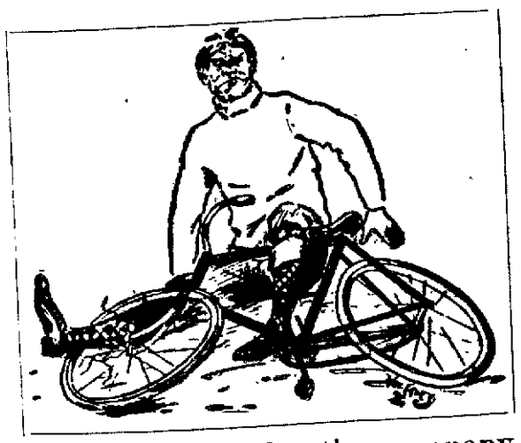

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LOCAL NEWS.

"The Jucklins" Thursday night.

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The regular meeting of the Grand Army Post will be held tonight.

Tender roast beef with brown gravy served at noon daily at Singleton's restaurant.—Oct21tf

Lent begins tomorrow with Ash Wednesday.

Take the Vandalia fast train to Peoria, two hours and fifty minutes. Leaves at 11:42 a. m.

Business in the circuit court will no be resumed until Monday next at 9 a. m.

Golden Rod Lotion for chapped hands gives satisfaction. For sale at Opera House Drug store.

And still the pilgrims are on their way to Washington. The major part of the Decatur contingent arrived at the national capital today in time for dinner.

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Monday was a great day for washing windows. Nearly all of the storekeepers and professional men had the specks and streaks removed from the plate glass.

The Wabash railroad is offering a very low rate to Washington on account of the inauguration of President McKinley. Tickets on sale March 1, 2 and 3. Call at city office for particulars.

Robert Walter, director of Goodman's band and orchestra has a stylish new suit. He will wear it at the dedication of the new town hall at Monticello on March 10.

Next Monday forenoon a called meeting of the Decatur Pastors' association will be held at the First M. E. church for the purpose of effecting a reorganization.

D. A. Maffit is putting away in the South Main street house six carloads of fine ice just received from Madison, Wis. In the next consignment there will be twenty-five carloads of ice.

Webb C. Foster wishes to inform his friends that he has opened a meat market at 1075 North Water street where he will have on hand the best cuts of beef, veal, pork and mutton, etc., and a fresh and full line of all goods in his line.—25-d6

The Bloomington Pantagraph says that Rev. A. Q. Gharrett, of Lexington, has been holding a revival at Clarksville, near that place. So far twenty-five have been added to the church, and many more are manifesting interest. The country for miles around is awakened.

Champaign county expended $165,696 last year for school purposes; of this amount $114,363 was paid out to teachers, of whom there are 325 in 242 school houses; $7000 were expended for school houses, $9000 for repairs, and $17,386 for fuel. There are 19,423 children of school age, of whom 11,014 are enrolled.

Going to Monticello?

Account of the dedication of the new city hall and concert by the Goodman band at Monticello, the Wabash will make a rate of $1 for the round trip. Tickets sold on March 10, good returning on the 11th.—dtd.

Garden Seeds.

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At The Grand.

Stuart Robson.

Much interest is being taken in the forthcoming production of "The Jucklings" by Stuart Robson at the Grand Opera House next Thursday evening, March 4. This is a dramatization of Opie Read's successful book of that title. The southern pride, the southern hospitality, the southern loyalty, are clearly set forth in the book, and the unique character is that of old Lem Jucklin, who has an inordinate desire for cock-fighting. It is a peculiar and interesting character, just suited to Stuart Robson, who recognized this fact last summer while reading the book. In fact, he was so impressed with the work that he immediately commenced correspondence with Laird & Lee, the publishers of Chicago, for its dramatization. The dramatization was made by Daniel T. Hart. It is said that Mr. Robson has in the characterization of Lem Jucklins made the most pronounced success of his praiseworthy theatrical career. Buy a copy of "The Jucklins" at J. W. Diller's book store, corner North Main and Prairie streets. A 50-cent book for 10 cents.

COOK OUT ON BAIL.

Alleged Accomplice in the Death of Minnie Bennett Released From Havana Jail—A Technical Point.

Bloomington Pantagraph: Eddie Cook, of Waynesville, who was convicted of manslaughter a week ago Saturday at Havana, for aiding in the death of Miss Minnie Bennett, of Maroa, was released under a bond of $5000 on Friday last. Mr. A. J. Barr, of this city, and Beach & Hodnett, of Lincoln, argued the motion for a new trial last Friday, and also insisted that the case against their client should be dismissed. The alleged crime was committed in February, 1895, and Cook was indicted in May of the same year. He was tried at Lincoln and convicted of murder the following September. At the Havana trial week before last the verdict was manslaughter. The legislature during the session of 1895 passed a law providing an indeterminate sentence for manslaughter instead of the term being fixed by the jury, and the new law plainly provided that all other laws governing manslaughter were thereby repealed. This went into effect July 1, 1895. If Cook had been convicted of murder at Havana no point of error could have been raised. But on the verdict rendered the question arises, under what law was he convicted? He was indicted under the law repealed in 1895, and if convicted under that law the verdict will not hold as the law has been repealed. The point made is that the repealed measure should have read "except for crimes heretofore committed," and that as it did not so read Cook should be allowed to go free. Judge Lacey declared at once that this was sufficient ground for a new trial, and that he would admit Cook to bail, but would permit the judge sitting at the August term to decide the other question at issue. The opinion prevails that Cook will never be tried again, and that the technical point raised by his counsel will hold good. Cook returned to Waynesville Friday night.

Judge Lacey has been on the bench twenty-four years and this is the first time he has granted a motion for a new trial on an error in the instructions, in a criminal case.

Baptist Endeavor Officers.

Last night the members of the Christian Endeavor society of the Baptist church elected officers as follows:

President—J. L. Deck.
Vice President—Sadie Wilson.
Treasurer—Guy Righter.
Chairmen of the various committees were elected as follows:
Lookout—Ella M. Spencer.
Prayer Meeting—Wilbur Funk.
Missionary—Mrs. H. Barber.
Social—Nell Michl.
Calling—Bonnie Hutsinpillar.
Temperance—Walter Thompson.
Music—Chris Curtis.
Relief—Maude Stoy.
Floral—Theodore Stetcher.
Welcome—Theodore Coughlin.
Sunday School—Ethel M. Dimock.

The Intermediate socley elected Norman Coughlin superintendent and Sophia Drobisch assistant superintendent. The junior superintendent elected was Miss Mabel Wilson; first assistant, Ida Beam; second assistant, Alice Drobisch.

On Monday next the members of the senior society will celebrate the tenth anniversary of their organization as a society. Rev. Rogers of the Baptist church of Springfield will deliver an address and in addition there will be other numbers on the program, the Sunday school orchestra taking part.

Bulletins Free.

Bulletin No. 46 of the Illinois agricultural experiment station treats of the following topics: New method of determining yield in variety experiments. Attempt to grow crimson clover in Illinois. Drainage experiments in southern Illinois. Effect of withholding coarse from young calves.

Bulletin No. 47, which is in press, treats of the smut of broom corn. The text is to be accompanied with numerous cuts illustrative of the general subject.

Parties interested in any topic herein will receive the bulletins free upon application, and those specially interested in agricultural literature may have their names placed on the permanent mailing list by furnishing the address to E. Davenport, director, Urbana, Ill.

HORSES AT AUCTION.

Sale at the R. Montgomery Stock Farm West of the City.

PRESTORIA WILKES SOLD FOR $600.

Fifteen Standard Bred Animals Brought $2,373—Attendance 200—Prices Considered Fair.

The auction sale of the R. R Montgomery standard bred horses at the Montgomery stock farm west of the city Monday afternoon brought about 200 people to the farm. The bidders were all Macon county people. There were fifteen horses in the bunch, headed by the famous pacing mare, Prestoria Wilkes. She was sold to J. P. Smallwood for $600. Colonel Tobe Ward was the auctioneer. He got fairly good prices, and considering the state of the weather and interest in the sale the aggregate, $2373, was deemed satisfactory.

The first horse offered was Prestoria Wilkes by Anderson Wilkes out of Strathleen. In 1895 she and Effie Powers lowered the world's team pacing record at the Illinois statefair, placing the pole mark at 2:12¾. Her single harness record is 2:17½, but that is believed to be eight seconds slower than her ability to make. She has always been looked upon as first class property and the low price at which she sold yesterday caused some surprise.

The first bid was $300 and it was immediately raised to $400. There were three or four bidders and the price went up $50 at a time till $600 was reached, when she was sold to J. P. Smallwood. Immediately after the sale Mr. Montgomery got a telegram from W. Smith of Norristown, Pa., asking for the address of the person who bought Prestoria Wilkes and what she sold for. It is altogether likely that Mr. Smallwood will soon receive an offer for Prestora from Mr. Smith.

The Purchasers.

Prestoria Wilkes, chestnut mare foaled in 1891 by Anderson Wilkes, dam Strathleen. Harness record, 2:17½. Pole record, 2:12¾. Sold to J. P. Smallwood for $600.

John Hancock, bay colt, foaled 1895; by Anderson Wilkes, dam Strathleen; Lewis Stockey of Harristown; $200.

Warren K., chestnut colt, foaled 1895, by Anderson Wilkes, dam California Maid; J. H. Doebridge, Decatur, $145.

Puss, bay filly, foaled 1895; by Anderson Wilkes, dam Mammont Maid; W. C. Allen, $180.

Strathleen, chestnut mare, foal 1880; by Strathmore, dam Fannie Carlyle; Eli Brenneman, $100.

Josie K, chestnut mare, foaled in 1893; by Pilot Medium, dam Strathleen: I. R. Mills, $189.

Mammont Maid, chestnut mare, foaled 1889; by Mammont, dam Strathleen; J. H. McCune, $120.

California Maid, bay mare, foaled 1890; by California, dam Strathleen; Eli Brenneman, $200.

Presto Wilkes, chestnut stallion, foaled 1892; by Anderson Wilkes, dam Strathleen; J. H. Delbridge, $105.

Daisy D, chestnut filly, foaled 1896; by Presto Wilkes, dam Mammont Maid; George Oren, $55.

Miss Mills, bay filly, foaled 1895; by Waltz, dam Kittie Lambert; J. R. Kile, $75.

Ida V, chestnut filly, foaled 1896; by Anderson Wilkes, dam Strathleen; John Park, $115.

Cora, bay filly, foaled 1893; by Marmaduke, dam Annette, E. A. Kinser; $105.

Mac, bay filly foaled 1894; by Marmaduke, dam Annette, Claude Ward, $90.

Marmaduke, bay stallion, foaled 1884; by Mammont, dam Lady Montgomery; Otho Hill, $102.

Celebration at Mt. Zion.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Mt. Zion celebrated the anniversary of the organization on Sunday evening. The "Cardinal Points" program of the United society was carried out in full. It was a grand success, probably the most interesting service of the kind ever held at Mt. Zion. The church was filled to its seating capacity, quite a number being present from North Fork, and some from Elwin, and the interest was unabated although the exercise was over two hours long.

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TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, March 2.—Rain in the south, snow north this afternoon; snow and colder tonight; Wednesday generally fair and colder in the south; brisk northeast winds.

The Greece of Today.

To understand the phenominal rise of Greece, we must bear in mind that, though the Greeks have been miserably downtrodden by the Turks for 400 years, the best hope of the people borne by an unholy tribute far away from their mother's homes, and trained into the tools of an inhuman tyranny; and though, had it not been for the "untoward event" at Navarino, the whole population of the Morea would have been exterminated by beneath the merciless tramp of the Turkish hoofs, there, nevertheless, lived behind the outward show of slavish debasement a heart of sturdy independence that cherished the patriotic memories of ages, and seized eagerly on every chance that might enable it to stand before the world in the attitude and character that had given it the most prominent place in the history of the human race. The two years' struggle that gave Greece the right to look Europe in the face, as a noble people determined to die rather than live the slaves of a hateful tyranny, at the same time gave to Europe the assurance that Greece was living Greece again; and Christian conscience and classic memories combined, when once the yoke was broken, to enable the Greeks to show the world that, inspite of the bombshells of Venice and the sabres of Turkey, not only should a Greek mother bear sons to grow up free from the rapine of Turkish hands, but desolate Athens should rise to her old position, and, along with Edinburg, Glasgow, and Aberdeen, assert its place among the famous European cities that combine commercial enterprise with cultivated intelligence. It was this noble, patriotic pride that, in the short space of half a century, turned the little ruined village into an imposing city.—Professor John Stuart Blackie in the March Forum.

Senator Bogardus has introduced an amendment to the compulsory educational law, which requires all children between the ages of 7 and 14 to attend either some public or private school sixteen weeks each year. All children under 10 years of age shall attend, beginning with the school year, and all over that age shall begin to attend not later than December. The school directors or trustees shall appoint some competent person to find out and arrest any children found loitering about public places, and take them either to the teacher in the public or other school where they belong. The penalty for violation is a fine not to exceed $5, and the person so fined shall remain committed until paid. Some measure of this kind is demanded, but as a good deal of absenteeism is due to the lack of books which the parents refuse to provide against by taking advantage of the present provision for poor children, the amendment should not go into effect until the proposed measure for district ownership of books has become a law.

Globe-Democrat: Apparently it is the purpose of the elements opposed to the Republicans—the Democrats, Populists, and silver ex-Republicans—to form a sort of a coalition in the next senate against the Republican patry. As the last-named element, however, through one of its representatives, has virtually said it will not obstruct the passage of the tariff bill, and will refrain from voting on it, the coalition cannot hurt the Republicans. With the ex-Republicans silent the Republicans will be able to pass their tariff bill in the senate by a good majority. The coalition will affect monetary questions only, but here it can do no positive harm. It can prevent the passage of any wise financial measure, though, of course, it will be powerless to enact any of its own. The house and the president will stand as a barrier against all possible assaults on the country's monetary system.

CLOSING SESSIONS.

The National Congress Getting Ready for the Last Day.

Washington, March 2.—The house met at 10 a. m. The rotunda and corridors were thronged with sightseers and the galleries were crowded. The District of Columbia and naval appropriation bills came over from the senate conference. Mr. Hopkins of Illinois, tried to get a separate vote on the senate proposition to fix the price of armor plate at $400 per ton. He wanted it concurred in and said the government was paying $[illegible] per ton, while the Illinois Steel company was prepared to furnish it for $240. In response to a question as to the responsibility of the company, Hopkins said it was one of the strongest in the United States had $40,000,000 capital stock and included such men as Marshal Field, J. D. Rockefeller, George M. Pullman, P. D. Armour and others.

It is reported on apparently reliable authority that Cleveland will veto the immigration bill. The ten days limit expires this evening.

The president has vetoed the immigration bill. The message setting forth his objections to the measure will be laid before the house this afternoon.

The senate passed the fortifications appropriation bill in thirty minutes. The deficiency bill, the last of the list, will follow. The international monetary conference bill was taken up. It lead to a heated criticism by Dubois of Idaho, and Cannon of Utah. The house sent over the naval bill including the senate armor plate amendment to the conference. Dalzell of Pennsylvania, replied caustically to the recent strictures of Justice Shiras of the supreme court. He declared that Shiras had not changed his mind on the income tax question, and that the report he had was "the lying report of the Popocratic newspapers."

Senator Dubois warned his former Republican associates that the silver Republicans would never return to them. Cannon asserted that the next administration would be as though Cleveland had been elected for a third term.

TOLLED HIS OWN DEATH-KNELL.

School Janitor Uses the Bell Rope to Hang Himself.

La Crosse, Wis., March 2.—James Clark, janitor of the Sixth ward school committee, committed suicide at midnight last night. He climbed into the belfry of the schoolhouse, fastened the bell rope around his neck, and then swung off. The bell rang twice, tolling his own death knell. Clark was a man of 55 years, and leaves a family.

Gold Bonds Afloat.

New York, March 2.—The Lake Shore road has floated fifty million 3½ per cent gold bonds, to take up maturing obligations at 102½.

"Uncle Peter" Hawes, of Logan county, died at the residence of his son in Augusta, Kas., last week, aged 79. He was an old resident of Logan county, and universally respected. He was a member of the twenty-ninth general assembly.

In Peoria county the poor farm committee of the board of supervisors have increased the insurance on the buildings at the farm to about $31,000, which is estimated to be about two-thirds of their value.

There is a good deal of corn still unhusked in the fields about Illiopolis, some farmers having as much as 1000 bushels still ungathered.

William Hildebrant, or Tolono, died suddenly at that place after being totally blind for eight years on account of a paralytic stroke.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 2, 1897.

The REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. Tayler, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
March	—	—	—	74¾
May	75¾	76¾	75¾	76¾
July	72¾	74⅛	72¾	72¾
Corn—				
March	—	—	—	23
May	24⅛	24¼	24⅛	24¼
July	25¼	25¼	25¼	25¼
Oats—				
March	—	—	—	15¾
May	17⅛	17¼	17⅛	17⅛
July	18¼	18⅛	18	18
Pork—				
March	—	—	—	—
May	8.12½	8.12½	8.07	8.07
Lard—				
March	—	—	—	—
May	4.10	4.12½	4.05	4.05
Ribs—				
March	—	—	—	—
May	4.22½	4.22½	4.17½	4.17½

May wheat: puts, 75c; calls, 76¼c; curb, 75¼.

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CAR LOTS.

Wheat—39. Estimated, 48. Year ago, 74.

Corn—478; Estimated, 465; a year ago, 570.

Oats— —; Estimated, —; a year ago, —.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.

Wheat, 12; Corn, 440; oats, —.

Hog receipts 25,000; estimated, 27,000. Market steady.

Light, $3.57@3.77; Mixed, $3.15@3.72; Heavy $3.55@3.67; Rough $3.40@3.45.

Estimated for to-morrow, 30,000.

Cattle receipts, 3,500. Market steady.

PEORIA QUOTATIONS.

PEORIA, March 2.—Corn, higher, new, No. 2, white, 20c; oats, firm, No. 2, white, 18c. Rye, nominal.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 2.—Wheat, May, 81½c; Corn, May, 29½c; oats, May, 21⅝c.

NEW YORK, March 2.—Butter, steady, creamery, 11@19c; Eggs, dull, 13½c.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, March 2.—Wheat, cash, 89c; May, 86⅝c; Corn, cash 20¼; May, 21¼; Oats, cash 17c; May, 17⅞.

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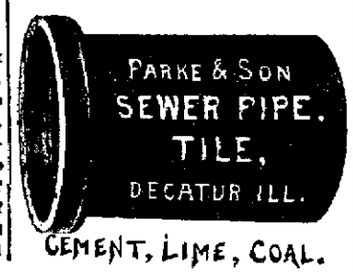

CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

A LITTLE NONSENSE.

—Mr. Dukane—"That man yonder seems very pensive. Do you suppose he is in love?" Mr. Gaswell—"O, no; that's impossible. I know him very well. He's married."—Philadelphia North American.

—All Styles Supplied.—"I want a poster got out," said the commercial gentleman. "Certainly," said the artist. "I get them up on three systems: The opium, the lobster-and-ice-cream supper, and the Welsh rabbit. Which will you have?"—Indianapolis Journal.

—Chumley—"I hear one of your freshmen was pretty badly injured the other day. How was it?" Hankins—"Why, it was in the elocution and oratory class. He had such a heavy voice that he strained his back in trying to raise it."—University of Michigan Wrinkle.

—Aunt Maria (at the theater)—"Why do all those men rush out in breathless haste the moment the curtain falls?" Uncle Henry—"Just wait till they come in again and you'll understand it." When they returned there was not a breathless one among them.—Boston Transcript.

—"The last victory," remarked the Spanish general, in a tone of great irritation, "was not nearly as brilliant as I expected it to be." "Whom do you consider to blame?" "I can't quite make up my mind whether the person who spoiled it was the typewriter, the telegraph operator, or the compositor."—Washington Star.

—A Find.—"I don't mind telling you," said the actor, who was in an alcoholically confidential mood, "that my brother served a term in the Arkansas penitentiary for stealing hogs." "Great Scott! my boy," shouted his press agent, "why have you not told me this before? I'll have him written up for the papers before I go to bed."—Indianapolis Journal.

A PET SQUIRREL.

No Other Animal is So Clean in Its Personal Habits.

In my favorite summer resort at the lower edge of the Black Forest, the quaint old town of Laufenburg, a farmer's boy one day brought me a young squirrel for sale. He was a tiny creature, probably not yet weaned, a variation on the ordinary type of the European Sciurus (Sciurus vulgaris), gray instead of the usual red, and with black tail and ears, so that at first, as he contented himself with drinking his milk and sleeping, I was not sure that he was not a dormouse. But examination of the paws, with their delicate anatomy, so marvelously like the human hand in their flexibility and handiness, and the graceful curl of his tail, settled the question of genus; and mindful of my boyhood and early pets, I bought him and named him Billy. From the first moment that he became my companion he gave me his entire confidence, and accepted his domestication without the least indication that he considered it captivity. There is generally a short stage of mute rebellion in wild creatures before they come to accept us entirely as their friends—a longing for freedom which makes precautions against escape necessary. This never appeared in Billy; he came to me for his bread and milk, and slept in my pocket, from the first, and enjoyed being caressed as completely as if he had been born under my roof.

No other animal is so clean in its personal habits as the squirrel when in health; and Billy soon left the basket which cradled his infancy, and habitually slept under a fold of my bed-cover, sometimes making his way to my pillow and sleeping by my cheek; and he never knew what a cage was except when traveling, and even then for the most part he slept in my pocket. He went with me to the table d'hote, and when invited out sat on the edge of the table and ate his bit of bread with a decorum that made him the admiration of all the children in the hotel, so that he accompanied me in all my journeys. He acquired a passion for tea sweet and warm, and to my indulgence of this taste I fear I owe his early loss. He had full liberty to roam in my room; but his favorite resort was my work-table when I was at work; and when his diet became nuts he used to hide them among my books, and then come to hunt them out again, like a child with its toys. I sometimes found my typewriter stopped, and discovered a hazelnut in the works. And when tired of his hide-and-seek he would come to the edge and nod to me, to indicate that he wished to go into my pocket or be put down to run about the room; and he soon made a limited language of movements of his head to tell me his few wants—food, drink, to sleep, or to take a climb on the highest piece of furniture in the room.

He was from the beginning devoted to me, and naturally became like a spoiled child. If I gave him an uncracked nut, he rammed it back into my hand to be cracked for him with irresistible persistence. I did as many parents do, and indulged him, to his harm and my own later grief. I could not resist that coaxing nodding, and gave him what he wished—tea when I had mine, and cracked his nuts, to the injury of his teeth, I was told. In short, I made him as happy as I knew how.—W. J. Stillman, in Century.

Fining Non-Voters.

Early in the history of Maryland a fine of 100 pounds of tobacco was imposed upon every elector who failed to vote at an election. It is said that the only similar attempt made since that time to stimulate the regular exercise of the franchise is a provision of the charter of Kansas City, Mo., imposing a fine of $2.50 upon every qualified voter who fails to vote at a general election. This was adopted in 1889, and a test case under it has just been ruled upon by the supreme court of the state. That tribunal has overruled the decision of the lower court, which sustained the provision of the charter, and has pronounced it unconstitutional.—Youth's Companion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are are authorized to announce J. Q. A. CIOR as a candidate for re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace, subject to the votes of the people.

We are authorized to announce HARRY K. MIDKIFF as a candidate for Constable, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce GEORGE P. HARDY as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce FRED. E. MILLER as a candidate for Constable, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce JOHN NICHOLLS as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce JAMES S. CARTER as a canndidate for Town Collector, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are requested to announce J. C. HANE as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce P. B. PROVOST as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce JAMES O'MARA as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to anneunce O. W. SMITH as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce CHARLES M. CALDWELL as a candidate for Commissioner of Highways, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM BUNDY as a candidate for Commissioner of Highways, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce J. T. LLOYD as a candidate for Constable, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce ARTHUR F. EVANS as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce LANDY H. MARTIN as a candidate for Collector, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce S. T. KEELER as a candidate for Assessor for Decatur township, subject to the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce W. H. SHORP as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce T. L. ANTRIM as a candidate for Constable, subject to the action of the Republican Township convention.

We are authorized to announce ALBERT H. COPE as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject to the action of the Republican Township convention.

We are authorized to announce A. H. GORDON as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

PAN CAKE SOCIAL.

Entertainment to be Given This Evening by the Members of St. John's Church.

This evening the members of the sanctuary chapter of St. John's Episcopal church church will give a pancake social in the store room in the library block on North Main street. The ladies will serve pancakes with honey and syrup from 5 till 8 o clock. An admission of 15 cents will be charged, and pancakes served to all. There will be a booth were homemade candies will be offered for sale. The ladies having the affair in charge are Mrs. R. W. Chilson, Miss Maude Burrows, Miss Bertha Roach, Miss Ella Gladish, Miss Byrd Dinges, Miss Ethel Scovill, Miss Mamie House, Miss Ella Usrey, Miss Irene Wood, Miss Pauline Rheinstorf, Miss Marie Buckingham, Miss Lizzie House, Miss Marie Macpherson and Mrs. Tibetts. The candy table will be in charge of Miss Alice Wood and Miss Maude Brooks.

Decatur is pretty well fixed now for short order restaurants and hot tamale vendors. No need of going hungry at any hour of the day or night so long as you have the price.

The county board will meet next Tuesday. Get in your bills.

—Martin B. Pratt left for Omaha, Neb., today.

—Attorney I. D. Walker is again seriously ill at his home on West Macon.

—Miss Ella Bryan of Lafayette, Ind., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Stober, 1010 North Water street.

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EXPIRES ON MARCH 4.

Fifty-Fourth Congress Soon to Pass Into History.

In Future Years It Will Be Known as the Congress Which Has Not Accomplished Anything to Speak Of.

[Special Washington Letter.]

The Fifty-fourth congress has made its history, and is a thing of the past. By constitutional limitation it expires on the fourth day of March, when the new executive administration begins.

This fact is not generally known, and the people do not study political affairs as they ought to do. There are thousands of our people who do not know what the congress is, nor how it is composed. The young people who study the constitution in our schools know very well that the congress consists of a house of representatives, numbering 356 men, who are elected by a direct vote of the people; and a senate, composed of 90 members, who are elected by the legislatures of the various states. There are now 45 states in this union, and each state is entitled to two senators. Therefore there are 90 senators.

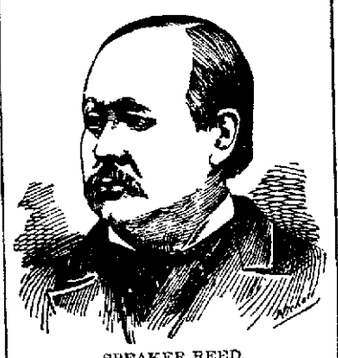
The congress is composed of two houses, or legislative assemblies, called the house of representatives and the senate. This fact ought to be known to every one; and yet I have shown intelligent people the senate chamber in the capitol building, and then shown them the house of representatives, and afterwards had them ask the startling question: "Now, where does congress meet?"

The fact that the general public does not take general interest in congressional proceedings was thrust upon me last summer, when one of my cousins came here from Pennsylvania and spent a few days in the national capital. He was riding along a prominent thoroughfare with me on an electric car, and I pointed out a large hotel, saying: "Tom Reed lives there."

"And who is Tom Reed?" inquired my cousin, and the inquiry almost took me off my feet.

We who live in Washington and know all of the public men of the land are prone to assume that everybody knows them, and understands them as we do; but in that we are mistaken. My cousin is a hard-working young man, and has a bank account. He does not drink nor use tobacco in any form. He reads the newspapers, and is generally well informed. And yet, he didn't know who Tom Reed is.

Under the circumstances it is only fair for me to assume that some of my



SPEAKER REED.
(From Painting in House Gallery.)

readers do not know who Tom Reed is; and hence is it not improper to say something about him at this time.

Thomas Brackett Reed, of Portland, Me., is speaker of the national house of representatives. Out of the 356 representatives of the people of this great republic, he has been selected as the leader of the house of representatives, and has been elected to the position of presiding officer; and that position is known as the speakership. Contrary to general belief, the speaker does not make speeches. He seldom appears on the floor of the house of representatives, but usually comes into the large hall of the house just as the hour of 12, noon, approaches, and, taking the big gavel in his hand, strikes the desk in front of him with a heavy stroke which resounds throughout the large hall, and says: "The house will come to order. The chaplain will offer prayer."

Everybody arises and stands while the blind chaplain delivers an invocation. After that the journal of the preceding day's proceedings is read and approved, and then the usual daily business proceeds. But the speaker makes no speeches. He simply presides.

Everybody in Washington knows who Tom Reed is, and nearly everybody knows him by sight. He is fully six feet tall, broad shouldered, inclined to be fat, and has a very large head. For ten years he has been recognized as the leader of the republicans in the house of representatives. He was the speaker of the Fifty-first congress, but during the Fifty-second and Fifty-third congresses the democrats had control of the house of representatives, and Charles Frederick Crisp was speaker.

When the Fifty-fourth congress convened the republicans had a majority, and they elected Tom Reed without opposition in his own party. When the Fifty-fifth congress convenes in special session, on the 15th of March, the republicans will again elect Tom Reed, and he will have no opponent in his own party. The democrats, being in a minority, will nominate some man for the honor of the thing, but Tom Reed will be elected, because his party has a majority of the house.

But this letter is not to be about Tom Reed alone. What I want to talk about is the congress, the Fifty-fourth congress which is just passing into history. It is the least valuable of any congress which has come and gone during my many years of residence in the national capital. When it began, and Tom Reed was elected speaker, he made a few remarks to the representatives, saying: "The Fifty-first congress was noted for what it accomplished. This congress will be noted for what it does not accomplish."

That was a plain notification from Speaker Reed that he would not permit congress to do anything. The speaker has all power over the house of representatives. He appoints the committees, chairmen of the committees, and the other officials who have charge of legislation. No member of the house of representatives can make a speech or accomplish anything whatever without the consent of the presiding officer. He may shout "Mr. Speaker" until he gets hoarse or loses his voice, but he cannot make a speech, or call up a bill, or do anything legislative, unless the speaker chooses to grant him recognition. From this brief statement you will understand that the speaker has power but little less exalted than

NELSON DINGLEY, JR.
(Author of Dingley Tariff Bill.)

that which is placed in the hands of the president of the United States. He is practically the autocrat of legislation.

Knowing things as we understand them in Washington, you may well imagine that I was shocked when my cousin from Pennsylvania stated that he had never heard of Speaker Reed.

Well, speaking of the Fifty-fourth congress, which is expiring, it may be proper to state that it has done nothing worthy of mention. It has been a do-nothing congress, and when it has gone there will be no flowers of memory placed over its bier. The reason that nothing was accomplished by the congress is very plain. There were several candidates for the presidency in the congress, and all of them inclined to the belief that it would not be good politics to make too much of a record just before the meeting of the national convention.

Tom Reed, of Maine, aspired to the presidency. Senator Davis, of Minnesota, was a candidate. Senator Cullom, of Illinois, wanted the nomination. Senator Allison, of Iowa, was regarded as a likely candidate. Senator Quay, of Pennsylvania, put up his lightning rod, hoping that presidential lightning might strike it. All of them are good men, and all of them patriotic citizens; and yet their combined judgment was that the Fifty-fourth congress ought to do nothing but pass appropriation bills.

Early in their first session President Cleveland startled these statesmen with a patriotic message on the Monroe doctrine, because of complications concerning the Venezuelan boundary question; and congress promptly appropriated $100,000 for the expense of a commission to investigate that subject. The result has been an acknowledgment of the Monroe doctrine by Great Britain, and the peaceable solution of the Venezuelan boundary question. Beyond that one patriotic act the Fifty-fourth congress has accomplished nothing of value to the country.

Of course you know that every congress exists for two years only. Since we have had 54 congresses, each being of two years' duration, we multiply 54 by two and ascertain that this republic is exactly 108 years old. It is just 108 years since George Washington became the first president of the United States. Inasmuch as the president serves four years, and each congress lasts but two years, every president must deal with two congresses. President Cleveland dealt with the Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth congresses; and President McKinley will deal with the Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth congresses.

The Fifty-fourth congress, which expires at noon on the fourth day of March, did nothing of practical value for the country, but much is expected of the Fifty-fifth congress, whose existence begins at noon on the fourth day of March. That congress is expected to enact a revenue bill, or a tariff bill, which will bring relief to our depleted national treasury. No congress within a generation has been confronted with such grave responsibility. Will they sow the wind and reap the whirlwind? Will they sow good seed on fertile soil? And in addition to questions of that character concerning the portents of the future everyone will be inclined to ask: "What shall the harvest be?"

Politicians of adverse beliefs and desires will hope for confusion to the incoming congress. Patriots, regardless of party affiliations, will pray that the incoming congress may be guided by wise and country-loving counsels, and bring about such legislation as will bring relief to our suffering people, even if prosperity shall not immediately dawn upon us.

Of only one thing can we be sure enough to make a prediction. There will be no general legislation during the extra session of congress. Speaker Reed has already announced that he will appoint no general committees; and nothing can be done without the regular committees to formulate the work. He says that the house shall do nothing but enact the Dingley tariff bill; and then sit here and await the action of the senate on that measure. That is the declared determination of Tom Reed; and he seems to be the boss of the situation. With these facts before you, everybody can guess the outcome of the present congress, as well as I can; and it is all guesswork, [illegible]

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JAMES ALBERT GARY.

Short Sketch of President McKinley's Postmaster-General.

James Albert Gary, for 30 years a leader of the republican party in Maryland, was born in Uncasville, Conn., October 22, 1833. He attended school at Rockhill institute, Elliott City, and afterward at Allegheny college, Meadville, Pa., and in 1861 became a partner in the firm of James S. Gary & Son, cotton duck manufacturers. His energy was quickly made apparent. An office and warehouse had been established in Baltimore, and in 1862 a branch house was opened in St. Louis. This gave the concern a footing in the west, which has since proved highly profitable. In 1870 Mr. Gary succeeded his

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father as head of the firm, and he has conducted its affairs ever since with marked success. The large mills in Aberton, Howard county, thrive under his management and employ hundreds of people. Mr. Gary owns other valuable business properties in Baltimore and Howard counties, and has been repeatedly called upon to share in the management of financial and other business corporations in Baltimore. He was president for several years of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' association, and is now vice president of the Consolidated Gas company and vice president of the Citizens' national bank. He also holds directorships in the Savings bank of Baltimore, the Warehouse company, the Manufacturers' Insurance company, the Merchants' & Manufacturers' Insurance company and the Baltimore Trust and Guarantee company.

An ardent unionist during the civil war, Mr. Gary has been a republican ever since. In 1870 the republicans nominated him for congress in the Fifth district, which was democratic at that time, and he was defeated. In 1879 the republicans nominated him for governor. In those days the state was hopelessly democratic, and Mr. Gary failed of election, although he made an active canvass. He has been a delegate to every national convention of his party since 1872, and from 1880 to 1896 represented Maryland upon the republican national committee. In 1856 Mr Gary was married to Miss Lavinia W. Corrie, daughter of James Corrie, and is the father of one son and seven daughters.

MAY HAVE OFFICE.

C. C. Shayne, of New York, May Receive a Fat Appointment.

The report recently circulated that Mr. McKinley had offered the postmaster generalship to C. C. Shayne, of New York, may have been based upon mere rumor. Yet that gentleman is entitled to recognition, provided ardent party work merits official reward; and a few lines of a biographical nature may be apropos at this time.

C. C. Shayne is 52 years of age, and was born in Galway, Saratoga county N. Y. He has been a resident of New York city since 1872, during which time he has been in the furrier business. Previous to that time he was engaged

C. C. SHAYNE.

in the same business in Cincinnati. He has accumulated a large fortune, and during the time he has been identified with politics, which dates from the death of his only son and child in 1889, he has been a liberal contributor to republican campaign funds. He has been a prominent figure in the reform element of the party, and could, it is said, have had the republican nomination for mayor in 1894, when Mayor Strong was elected.

The Art of Remembering.

A noted medical writer likens the brain to a vast library and each idea or name or incident to the volumes composing it. The memory, he says, acts as librarian and tucks away each volume in some peculiar niche of its own. Now, when we call on Librarian Memory for one of these volumes he usually knows where it is and hands it to us instanter, but occasionally he, like other officeholders, forgets his duties. We call on him suddenly, waking him from his nap, perhaps, and he cannot remember where he put the name of Smith or Jones, or the little fact regarding the tariff, or Agamemnon's wives, or something or other. Sometimes he finds it after a moment's search and sometimes not for days. But he keeps up a still hunt for the missing volume, even while you forget all about it, and some time, when you are least expecting it, presto! there is the very thing you were trying to remember.

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Public attention in San Francisco is now concentrated on a Piute pappoose who has just been brought there. The pappoose is of the only sex which is of any importance among Indians.

He came to the city with a team of baseball players of his tribe, who were to play a game with the Alerts, of Alameda, a famous club. The Indians had the happy idea of using him as a mascot.

A discussion is going on as to the name he shall bear. This equals in interest the discussion which recently went on in New York when Miss Murphy's baby was born. It is not intended here to put an Indian baby on the same level as an infant hippopotamus, but the public takes the same kindly interest in both of them.

PAPPOOSE BASEBALL MASCOT.

Hundreds of letters are received daily by the newspapers, suggesting names for the pappoose. Most of them are either inelegant, inappropriate or vulgar.

Mrs Dewa, mother of the pappoose, is willing to consult the great pale face public, and thanks it for the interest shown her offspring. She expects to make something out of it. But she thinks he should have a dignified name of Indian fashion, such as "Big-wolf-not-afraid-of-his-own-voice."

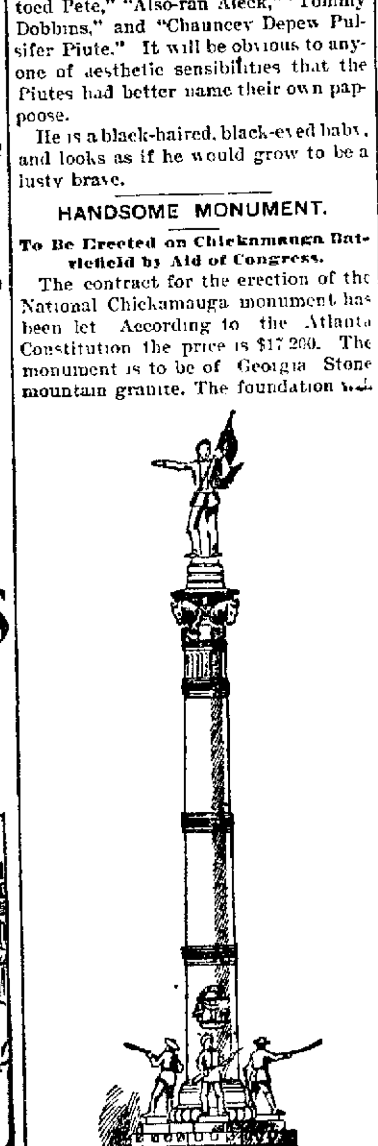
As examples of the name suggested by the pale face public, may be mentioned "Odds-on Jake," "Piute Swinburn," "Beethoven Snorter," "Ethelbert Eric," "Algernon Leclaire," "Pigeon-toed Pete," "Also-ran Aleck," "Tommy Dobbins," and "Chauncey Depew Pulsifer Piute." It will be obvious to anyone of aesthetic sensibilities that the Piutes had better name their own pappoose.

He is a black-haired, black-eyed baby, and looks as if he would grow to be a lusty brave.

HANDSOME MONUMENT.

To Be Erected on Chickamauga Battlefield by Aid of Congress.

The contract for the erection of the National Chickamauga monument has been let According to the Atlanta Constitution the price is $17 200. The monument is to be of Georgia Stone mountain granite. The foundation will



CHICKAMAUGA MONUMENT.

be laid by the United States government The base will be 30 feet square and the shaft 81 feet high, after the accompanying design. Work will be begun at once.

Hard to Keep Awake.

In the long arctic nights there is a constant difficulty in keeping awake. Greely had to make very strict rules to keep his men awake during the long Arctic night. Beds were not allowed to be made, and the men were compelled to get up and move about.

Trees Two Inches High.

On the summit of Ben Lomond are the smallest trees in Great Britain They are dwarf willows, and when mature are only about two inches in height

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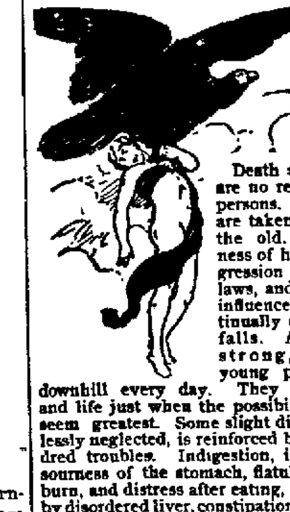
Cats as Household Pets.

While much has been said regarding the danger of infection from house cats Dr William H Park, of the health department bureau of pathology, bacteriology and disinfection of New York does not believe that the case has been "clearly enough made out to warrant any official order of extermination" He does not believe a diphtheria death has ever been traced to a cat. However, he warns children against playing with them, for many reasons. "While cats are useful as rat catchers, they may be dangerous as pets." There is no doubt that they carry germs in their fur, hence they should always be excluded from a sick room. When a cat returns from a walk he may bring poisoned claws. Mice are afflicted with the irritating skin and scalp disease called favus. The mouser is therefore likely to communicate this most unpleasant disease by a slight scratch, and cats are known to have introduced ringworm into families. They are not desirable playmates for children



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MARY P. MURPHEY, Executrix.
March 2, 1897.

To A. T. Risley and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and special assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 26th day of June, A. D. 1895, M. P. Murphey purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county, to-wit: Lot three (3), block two (2), East Park Boulevards, Decatur township, for the taxes for the year 1894, including special taxes and special assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of A. T. Risley, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 26th day of June, 1897.
MARY P. MURPHEY, Executrix.
March 2, 1897.

To E. J. Williams and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and special assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 26th day of June, A. D. 1895, M. P. Murphey purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county, to-wit: Lot twenty-two (22), block six (6), Starr & Mills' first addition to Decatur township, for the taxes for the year 1894, including special taxes and special assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of E. J. Williams, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 26th day of June, 1897. MARY P. MURPHEY, Executrix.
March 2, 1897.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Ferby Holman, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Ferby Holman, late of the County of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
Dated this 10th day of February, 1897.
DAVID T. HOLMAN, Administrator.
Feb 10-d3w

P., D. & E. EXCURSIONS.

Sunday excursion rates to all points on the P., D. & E. One fare round trip. Tickets good returning on day of sale.

Winter tourist rates now on to points south, southwest and southeast.

One way settler rates to points south every first and third Tuesday of each month. Very low.

Good connections at Peoria for Iowa, Nebraska and Colorado points; at Mattoon with Big Four for Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and eastern points; at Evansville for all Southern and Florida points.

City ticket office removed from 110 Library Block to 121 East William street, directly across the street. New 'phone No. 28; Old, No. 430; Union Depot 'phone No. 47, New.

Call on or address W. L. Smith, Union Depot or T. Peniwell, 121 East William street.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.

Excursion rates to St. Louis and return every Saturday and Sunday. One fare round trip. Tickets good going Saturday afternoon and returning Monday morning.

Winter Tourist Rates are now on to points south and south-east.

Settlers' Half Fare rates to points south every 1st and 3d Tuesday of each month.

Take the new Daylight Special for Chicago and St. Louis—solid Daily train.

City Ticket Office removed from 110 Library Block to 121 East William street, directly across the street. Telephone, New No. 28; Old No 430. Union Depot Telephone No. 47, New.

Master in Chancery's Sale

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, ss. In the Circuit Court.

Sarah Henson, Complainant, vs. Frank Tickler et al., Defendants—In Chancery, No. 16073.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, March 20th, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot Twenty-Three (23), in Block Five (5) of Enterprise Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon County, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 26th day of February, 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Bunn & Park, Complainant's Solicitors.
Feb 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, ss. In the Circuit Court.

Harry B. Owsley, complainant, vs. Lewis B. Casner et. al., defendant—In Chancery, No. 16,035.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Monday, March 22d, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot seven (7) in the assessor's resurvey of block one (1) in the original plot of the Town of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing 21.5 feet west of northeast corner of original lot five (5) in said block one (1), thence running south 144 feet, thence west 20.5 feet, thence north 144 feet, thence east 20.5 feet to the place of beginning, being part of the east half of original lots five (5) and six (6) in said block one (1) of the original town (now city) of Decatur.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 26th day of February, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Brown, Wheeler & Brown, Complainant's Solicitors.
Feb 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, ss. In the Circuit Court.

Harry Williams, complainant, vs. Edward A. Jones et. al., defendant—In Chancery, No. 16,139.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said Court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, March 20th, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: The east half of the northwest quarter of section 8, township 16, north range 2, east of the 3rd p. m., except three acres in the southwest corner thereof.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 26th day of February, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.
Feb 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, SS. In the Circuit Court.

The People's Savings and Loan Association, Complainant, vs. John F. Cooper et al., Defendants—In Chancery, No. 16054.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January term, 1897, of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Monday, March 22d, 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot Thirteen (13) in Block One (1), of P. H. Bruecks' 2d Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 26th day of February, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
William C. Johns, Complainant's Solicitor.
Feb. 26-dtd

NOTICE.

DECATUR, ILL., Feb. 22, 1897.

To the Stockholders of the Municipal Electric Company, of Decatur, Ill.:

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of said company will be held at the office of said company in Decatur, Illinois, upon the 15th day of March, 1897, at the hour of one o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of authorizing the president and secretary of said company to execute, acknowledge and deliver the notes and mortgages of said company, said mortgages to cover the entire property, property rights, privileges and franchises of said company, and to be in the aggregate amount not to exceed $35000, and upon such terms and for such time as shall be deemed expedient by the officers so authorized to execute said notes and mortgages, or as shall be particularly provided for by resolutions adopted at such meeting.
J. H. CULVER, Pres't.
[L. S.] Attest: F. H. CULVER, Sec'y.

Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of Robert G. Wells, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Robert G. Wells, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
Dated this 20th day of February, 1897.
ALICE C. WELLS, Administratrix.
Feb. 20-d3w

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of William H. Walters, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of William H Walters, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby give notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
Dated this 24th day of February, 1896.
HIRAM JOHNSON, Executor.
Feb 24-d3w

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed assignee of Mamie E. Dennis and all persons holding any claim or claims against said Mamie E Dennis are hereby notified to present the ame to him under oath or affirmation within three months from this date, whether said claims are due or not. All persons indebted to said assignor are requested to make prompt payment of the same.
Dated February 10, 1897.
Feb 19-6w A. F. GEBHARD, Assignee.

PROPOSALS.

The undersigned, assignee of the estate of M. D. Alexander, insolvent, will receive proposals for the entire stock of goods, consisting of hardware, cutlery, stoves, tinware, tinner's tools, etc., up to March 1, 1897. The stock is clean, and if desired the building can be rented for the coming season, or can be purchased reasonable.
Macon, Ill., Jan. 11, 1897.
Jan. 29-d6w W. H. BROOKS, Assignee.

Inauguration at Washington.

For the above occasion the P. D. & E. Railway will sell round trip tickets at the rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets to be sold March 1st, 2d and 3d, and good returning not earlier than March 4th nor later than March 8th.
A. G. PALMER, Gen'l Pass. Agent.

BARGAIN COLUMN.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf

WANTED—Several upright, industrial persons in Illinois, as State agents, or managers, for responsible house. $780 and expenses. Permanent positions. Enclose reference. Address the Dominion Company, Dept. 2, Chicago. Feb 9-d5w

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—CHEAP—A fine lot of standard bred Langshan Cockerels. Address Box 217, or call at yards on East Cantrell street. J. S. COX. Feb 22-d&w1m

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur; $1700 buys it; possession given immediately. Hurry up; must be sold by March 1st. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—A good seven-room house, within three blocks of Lincoln Square. Barn, carriage house, well, cistern and dry cellar. Inquire at 459 South Main street. Feb 26-d6

MONEY TO LOAN.

FARM LOANS—SIX PER CENT. INTEREST—Lowest commission. Prepayment privileges. Money ready when papers are accepted. Don't contract for a loan until you get my terms. C. E. GIVEN, 605 Millikin Bank Building. Oct 28-d&wtf

ALBERT T. SUMMERS,
—LOAN BROKER,—
All Classes of Loans Negotiated.
145 North Water Street, DECATUR, ILL.

LOANS Of All Kinds Made by PEGRAM & CO.,
Room One, over Citizen's Nat. Bank.

LOANS—I have money to place on farms and city property not over 40 per cent of value at 6 per cent, on 5 years time, with privilege of payments after the second year. Also loans money for nearly all classes of loans. Call or address Samuel McBride, 215 North Main street. dec17 d6mo

MONEY TO LOAN—I have money to loan on city property and farms without delay. Call and see me. George W. Ehrhart, Real Estate and Loans, Room 10, Opera Block. july 7-d1m

MISCELLANEOUS.

Riley & Mann's Second Sale.
5-Room Property at 1039 St. Louis Ave.
Furnace, Well, Cistern, Fruit, Barn.
See our Bulletin Board for Terms.
Feb 27-d6*

TWO FINE CORNER LOTS in "King's Orchard," clear of encumbrances; $1700 buys them, or will trade for house of about equal value. Look this up. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main st. Feb 16-dtf

$700 buys new three-room house, one acre of land, fifty choice bearing fruit trees, all on gravel road on the outskirts of Decatur. Who wants this? PETER H BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

$225 buys fine lot on North Union street, 40x80. What's the matter with this! nothing—only the owner needs money. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

THE "Dollar Special" cabinet photo is still being made. $1.00 per dozen. Proofs shown. Accuacy and permanence guaranteed. Dark days no hindrance in getting good negatives. East End Gallery, 1079 E. Eldorado St. Dec. 30 d&wtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe; either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H. BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

SALESMEN—$5 a day. No canvassing, No deliveries, No collections. Samples free. Side line or exclusive. Mfrs., 3941 Market St., Philadelphia. jan 23-d4w

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet. 723 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. nov29 dtf

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan6-dtf

THE FINEST FLOWERS.—N. Bommersbach, proprietor of the Decatur Greenhouse, has in stock at all times the finest and largest variety of cut flowers and plants at the lowest figures. Inspect the display at the greenhouse on Spring avenue. Leave orders at office or with J. B. Bullard, Syndicate Block.
Jan 4, 1897-dtf

CITY COLLECTING AND RATING AGENCY

He rents buildings and collects all kinds of claims at the most reasonable prices. Satisfaction guaranteed. Call on or address GEO. W. CUSTER, Room 508, Arcade Building.
Jan. 8-dtf

RHEUMATISM CURE.—Decatur, Ill., Nov. 29th. Wanted, everybody to read this article. For four or five years I took medicine for my kidneys and could get no relief. After trying several other kinds of medicines for rheumatism I tried your Cerrodante Capsules and they not only cured my rheumatism but my back as well. I can and do heartily recommend them to any one with rheumatism and neuralgia. Yours truly, Tom Peniwell, ticket agent I. C. R. R. Jan 18-dtf

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF MACON. ss. In the Circuit Court.

Ida E. Armstrong, Complainant, vs. Isabella Disney et. al., Defendant—In Chancery, No. 16,012.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, March 23d, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot Fourteen (14) in Block Three ( ), in Higgins' Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 27th day of February, A. D., 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.
Feb. 27-dtd.

SURE OF A POSITION,

And a Comfortable One, Too.

By going to the Inauguration over the Vandalia-Pennsylvania Short Line Conveniences enjoyed by passengers over this short route insure comfort on fast through trains. Excursion tickets for the Inauguration on sale March 1st, 2d and 3d. Find out about the low rates and fine trains by addressing Traveling Passenger Agent J. C. Millspaugh, Decatur, Ill., or W. F. Brunner, A. G. P. Agent, St. Louis.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

GEO. P. HARDY,
Justice of the Peace,
147 South Water Street.
Apr 23-dtf

DR. LAURENS ENOS,
Homeopathist and Surgeon,
—Chronic Diseases a Specialty.—
OFFICE AND RESIDENCE, 345 N. Main st.
Jan. 13-dtf

DR. HOWARD M. WOOD
HOMEOPATHIST,
Arcade Office Building, Decatur, Ill.
Office hours 8 to 10 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m., 7 to 8 p. m
Telephones { Office, 272 Res., 216. Residence 1446 N. Edward St

DR. L. H. CLARK,
Room 30, Arcade Office Building.
Office Hours—10 to 12 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m., 7 to 8 p. m
Telephone—Residence, 364; Office, 365.
Residence—555 West North St.

I. D. STINE.
ARCHITECT.
Pasfield Building.
Telephone 570. DECATUR, ILL.

Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Dentist, Opera House Block, ground floor.
jan 24-d&wtf

DR. A. M. DREW,
Physician and Surgeon.
OFFICE—Over Bradley Bros.' Store; Rooms 40 and 41
RESIDENCE—442 West Prairie Avenue.
Telephone—(Old), Office 555; Residence, 556
Aug. 26-dtf

DR. M. A. MAJORS,
Treats all Diseases of Men, Women and Children. Health Advice Free.
TEN YEARS EXPERIENCE. Office Hours: 9 a. m. to 12 m.; 2 p. m. to 5 p. m.; 7 p. m to 8:30 p. m.
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HERMAN SPIES.
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Practical Book Binding and Blank Book Manufacturing. 127 South Water street, Decatur, Ill. Magazines bound, names stamped in gold on books.

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COLLECTIONS A SPECIALTY.

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL.
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South Side Lincoln Square, Decatur, Ill

B. I. STERRETT
ATTORNEY AT LAW.
OFFICE—Over Bryan' Clothing Store Decatur

F. L. TAYLOR, Collector. J. B. MOFFETT, Lawyer.
TAYLOR & MOFFETT,
Real Estate, Loans, Collections: Insurance and Law.
—Room 10, Opera House Block.—

R. H. OLIPHANT,
No. 325 East Main Street.
New Quarters with a Neat Barber Shop and Express Line Combined.
CHAS. PERKINS
Will Cut Hair for 15c
Will Shave you for 10c
When you want a Wagon, ring up old phone 442

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, ss. In the Circuit Court.

Mattie E. Peacock, Complainant, vs. Margetta Sparks et al., Defendants—In Chancery; No. 15758.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, March 20th, 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Commencing 50 feet west of the southeast corner of Lot 10 in Block 2 of S. K. Thompson's 2d Addition to the City of Decatur, thence north 150 feet parallel with the east line of said lot, thence west 30 feet, thence south 150 feet, thence east 30 feet to the place of beginning, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 15th day of February, 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.
Feb. 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, ss
In the Circuit Court.

The Loan and Homestead Association, complainant, vs. Bartlett Clark et al., defendants; In Chancery—No. 15726.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September term of said court, A. D. 1896, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will, on

Saturday, March 13, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the city of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots Five (5) and Eight (8) in Block One (1) in LeForgee & Patterson's Addition to the City of Decatur in Macon county, Illinois.

Terms of Sale:—$350 cash in hand on day of sale, and the balance in twelve months, deferred payment to be secured by approved personal security and a mortgage on the premises sold, and to bear interest at 6 per cent, from day of sale or the purchaser may pay all cash if he so desires.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 12th day of February, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Shelley Bros., solicitors for complainant.

Master in Chancery's Sale

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. ss In the Circuit Court.

The People's Savings and Loan Association, Complainants, vs. Margaret A. Leahy et al, Defendants—In Chancery. No 16011.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term, of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Monday, March 22d, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to wit: Lot Fourteen (14) in Block Twenty-Two (22), of Carver's Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois, subject to any existing mining rights.

Dated this 26th day of February, 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
William C Johns, Complainant's Solicitor.
Feb. 26-dtd

R. R. TIME TABLES.

In effect Feb. 7, 1897.

Wabash Line

TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	* 1:05 a m	13	* 3:30 a m
14	*11:45 a m	15	* 3:55 p m
16	+ 7:40 a m	17	+ 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		FROM ST. LOUIS.	
3	* 3:40 a m	6	*5:25 a m
11	* 6:55 a m	4	+11:25 a m
5	+ 4:05 p m	14	*11:42 a m
15	* 4:00 p m	10	* 8:58 p m
1	*12:13 a m	2	*11:17 p m
7	* 7:20 p m	12	*12:55 a m
TO TOLEDO.		FROM TOLEDO.	
6	* 5:28 a m	1	*12:10 a m
4	+11:30 a m	7	* 7:17 p m
2	*11:20 p m	5	+ 3:50 p m
10 Laf. acm.	+ 4:40 p m	3	* 3:20 a m
		11	+10:30 a m
TO QUINCY.		FROM QUINCY.	
5	* 4:05 p m	4	*11:20 a m
3	* 5:40 a m	2	*10:40 p m
17 Spfd only	+ 7:40 p m	16 from Spfg.	+ 7:35 a m
11 Spfd acm	+10:34 a m	10 Effm acm.	+ 4:36 p m

*Daily. +Daily except Sunday.

Illinois Central.

NORTH.	SOUTH.
Diamond Special, daily ...... 1:32 a m	Diamond Special, daily ...... 2:55 a m
No. 104, daily, 11:25 a m	No. 125 pass. ex. Sunday ...... 9:36 a m
No. 194 freight ex. Sunday ...... 2:00 p m	No. 193 freight ex. Sunday ...... 10:10 a m
No. 107 pass. ex. Sunday ...... 6:11 p m	No. 123, daily, 3:32 p m
No. 702 (Champ'n line) leaves, ex. Sunday ...... 2:25 p m	No. 701 (Champ'n line) arrives ex. Sunday ...... 10:15 a m
No. 704—to Chicago, via Champa'n, daily 6:00 a m	No. 703—From Chicago, daily 9:05 p m
No. 120 daily to Chicago ...... 11:52 a m	No. 119 daily, to St. Louis ...... 2:58 p m

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1 ...... 10:42 a. m.	A No. 2 ...... 2:41 p. m
D No. 3 ...... 10:10 p. m.	A No. 4 ...... 3:50 a. m
A No. 31 ...... 4:50 p. m.	A No. 30 ...... 6:15 a. m.
	S No. 36 ...... 7:10 a. m.
Depart for Peoria	Depart for Evansville
A No. 2 ...... 2:47 p. m.	A No. 1 ...... 10:50 a. m.
A No. 4 ...... 4:10 a. m.	D No. 3 ...... 10:20 p. m.
A No. 30 ...... 6:35 a. m.	A No. 31 ...... 5:00 p. m.
S No. 36 ...... 7:30 a. m.	A No 11 ...... 3:15 p. m.
A No. 10 ...... 10:42 a. m.	
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	"D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co.

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass .... 2:25 p m	No. 4 Pass .... 10:50 p m
No. 3 Pass .... *4:00 a m	No. 2 Pass .... +11:25 a m
" 7 .... 10:00 a m	" 8 .... 4:00 a m
" 9 .... c 8:00 p m	" 10 .... 4:00 p m

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CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, ss
In the Circuit Court to the June Term, A. D. 1897.

Lewis F. Hall vs. Jane Willey Hall—Divorce.

It appearing by affidavit filed in my office that the above named defendant is a non-resident of the state of Illinois, notice is hereby given to you that the above named complainant has filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side thereof, which said suit is still pending, and that summons thereon issued out of said court against you the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the next June term thereof, to be held at the court house in the City of Decatur, on the first Monday of June, 1897.

Now unless you the said Jane Willey Hall, shall be and appear on the first day of said term of said court to plead, answer or demur to said bill of complaint, the same will be taken as confessed against you and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof.

Dated at Decatur this 22d day of February, A. D. 1897. [Seal] D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.
Feb 22-d4w

Publication Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, ss
In the Circuit Court, To the June Term. A. D. 1897.

Miles K. Young, Receiver of the Illinois Building and Loan Association, Vs. E. M. Weygandt, William L. Johnson and Albert T. Summers—In Chancery, No. 15,705.

Public notice is hereby given that the complainant in the above entitled cause has heretofore commenced its suit in chancery against the above named defendants; and that summons has been issued to the Sheriff of Macon county, State of Illinois, and returned not found as to the said E. M. Weygandt; and affidavit having been filed that the said E. M. Weygandt is a non-resident of the state of Illinois; and that the said cause is now pending and undetermined in the circuit court of Macon county.

Now unless you, the said F. M. Weygandt, shall personally be and appear before the circuit court of Macon county, state of Illinois, on the first day of the term thereof, to be held at the court house in the city of Decatur, Macon county, state of Illinois, on the first Monday of June, being the 7th day of June, A. D. 1897, and plead, answer or demur to the said bill of complaint, the same and the matters and things therein alleged will be taken for confessed, and a decree rendered against you in accordance with the prayer of the said bill of complaint.

Dated Feb. 27, 1897.
D. L. FOSTER, Circuit Clerk.
W. C. Johns, Complainant's Solicitor.
March 7-d4w

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Piatt county, Illinois, in favor of Thomas L. McDaniel and against Charles H. Bridges, Wm. Marshall Bridges and Frank Walz, partners doing business under the firm name and style of Bridges, Walz & Co., I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Sixty-five (65) feet in width off of the south side of Lot Three (3) of B. L. Howenstine's addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois. Taken as the property of the said Charles H. Bridges, which I shall offer at public sale at north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county in said state, on the 18th day of March, A. D., 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand to satisfy said execution.

This 25th day of February, A. D. 1897.
J. P. NICHOLSON, Sheriff Macon Co., Ill.
Feb 25-dtd

WORTH SEEING.

Inauguration of President McKinley.

The crowd at Washington will be great, the ceremonies grand. Leading men of all parties will be there. You can enjoy the sights at slight cost by buying an excursion ticket over the Vandalia-Pennsylvania Line, on sale March 1st, 2 and 3d. For particulars address Traveling Passenger Agent J. C. Millspaugh, Decatur Ill., or W. F. Brunner, A. G. P. Agent, St. Louis.

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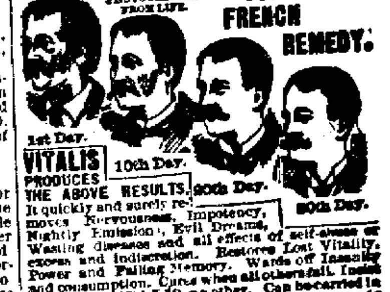

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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

G. A. R.—Regular meeting of Dunham Post, No. 141, this Tuesday, evening, at 8 o'clock. All comrades are requested to be present. W. F. CALHOUN, Com. R. P. BYTLE, Adjt.

MASONIC.—Stated convocation of Macon Chapter, No. 21, Royal Arch Masons, this (Tuesday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. All members requested to attend and visiting companions are welcome. C. L. HOVEY, E. H. P. THEO. COLEMAN, Sec'y.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—Regular convention of Chevalier Bayard Lodge, No. 189, K. of P., this (Tuesday) evening in their Castle Hall, corner North Main and William streets, at 7:330 o'clock. Work in Rank of Knight. Visiting Knights always welcome. ALBERT H. COPE, C. C. L. H. SHELLEY, K. of R. and S.

LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

Cloudy and colder in Decatur today.

Hot water bottles, all sizes, 75c each, at West's drug store.—19-dtf

Smoke the Litle J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Sparrow's fine chocolate for sale at the Opera House Drug store.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Little Diana cigar; business men's ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for $1.50. L. Chodat's News House.—14-dtf

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 22-dtf

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 center, made by John Weigand. Mch 25 tf.

Take the Vandalia-Pennsylvania for Washington, D. C.; reduced rates for the inauguration.

The members of the Court of Honor will give a banquet next Thursday evening at the G. A. R. hall.

Largest and finest stock of face powders in Decatur at West's drug store, all at cut prices.—19-dtf

Decatur Steam Bakery bread and McKinney's St. Louis bread at the Economy.—17-dtf

The Y. M. C. A. gymnasium will hereafter be open every Thursday evening to visitors who wish to call and see the classes work.

Pure gum camphor, prevents moths, lowest price ever made; 50c a pound. Wests' drug store.—19-dtf

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedsman fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 223 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-d&wtf

In the county court yesterday Mrs. Cora Dillehunt was appointed administratrix of the estate of her late husband, W. T. Dillehunt. The estate consists principally of life insurance policies valued at $5000. Mrs. Dillehunt was also appointed guardian of her minor children.

The Wabash made a fast run with the Damrosch Opera company on Sunday morning, leaving union station at St. Louis in a special train of six cars at 8:05 o'clock and covering the run to Cleveland, 528 miles, in twelve hours and forty-five minutes, or forty-two miles an hour, including stops and transfer at New Haven to the Nickel Plate.

At the tenth anniversary of the Baptist senior Endeavor society next Monday there will be given a history of the society and the president will speak on "The Future of the Society." The program, as arranged, is a good one and it is expected that the house will be filled by those who come to enjoy the anniversary celebration. All young peoples' societies in the city, are invited to be present. At the business meeting last night, the following were appointed to draft rules governing the society library: Theodore Stecher, Harriet Wood and Wilburt Funk. The president addressed the society as to the accomplishments of the work done during the present administration, which was very encouraging and will, no doubt, bring about greater effort during the next term.

TWO NOTED PRIESTS.

They Will be Heard at St. Patrick's Church in the Near Future.

Rev. P. J. Macken states that Father Tom Sherman, son of the late General William T. Sherman, will be here during the last two weeks of Lent and will assist in the services at St. Patrick's church. Father Sherman will be assisted by Father Finnegan of St. Louis.

The services at which these two eminent priests will assist is a mission, beginning on the fourth Sunday in Lent, March 28, and continuing till Palm Sunday, April 10. Each day there will be a low mass at 5:30 and high mass and sermon at 8 o'clock in the morning. In the evenings at 7:30 the service will be instruction, rosary and a sermon, concluding with benediction of the blessed sacrament.

The night service of the first week will be for women only and those of the second week will be exclusively for men. But at the morning service both men and women can assist at the holy sacrifice. All non-Catholics are cordially invited to attend any of the services of the mission.

Burial of Mrs. I. J. Davis.

The remains of the late Mrs. Nettie Davis, beloved wife of Isaac J. Davis, who died in Chicago on Feb. 28, were consigned last evening to the grave in Greenwood cemetery in the presence of a large number of sorrowing relatives and sympathizing friends. The maiden name of the deceased was Nettie Pratt, and on Dec. 15, 1881, at the Presbyterian church in Decatur she became the wife of Isaac J. Davis. George T. Tucker and Nellie Pratt were married the same evening. It was a double wedding. The children of the deceased are a son, aged 9 years, and a daughter, aged 8 weeks. Impressive funeral services were held at 4:30 o'clock at the residence of F. M. Pratt on Prairie avenue. The rooms were crowded. Many beautiful floral offerings were contributed by relatives and friends, the rich casket being almost hidden by the tributes of love and remembrance. The relatives present from out of the city were Martin B. Pratt of Omaha, Neb., Edward Davis and wife of Springfield, Ill., R. E. Pratt and wife and Misses Marguerite and Ida Pratt of Chicago. F. M. Pratt, who is at Hot Springs, Ark., and Riley Pratt of Buffalo, N. Y., received telegraphic notice of the death of their sister just too late to reach Decatur in time for the funeral. The services were in charge of Rev. W. C. Miller, pastor of the First Congregational church, assisted by Rev. D. F. Howe, pastor of the First M. E. church, who offered a very beautiful and consoling prayer. The sermon by Rev. Mr. Miller touched upon the majesty of life and death. The music was by Misses Maude Evans and Irene Sykes and Milton Johnson, jr., and D. A. Strader. Mr. Davis will return to Chicago with his son, but the infant child will remain in Decatur for the present. It is well and strong.

Attention, Wheelmen.

Would you think of taking a fine watch needing repairing or cleaning to a watchmaker with only two or three years' experience? Of course you would not, too much risk. Now it will pay you to use the same care with your bicycle. We have in charge of our repair shop a man who is a thorough machanic, and has had sixteen years' experience in bicycle building and repairing. He built bicycles before the day of automatic machinery for such work, and is therefore familiar with every detail of their construction. Bring your wheel to us for careful and proper repairing, enameling, etc. All work guaranteed. H. Mueller Gun Co.—1-dtf

The new melo-drama "In the Heart of Chicago," a play of five acts, launched upon the stage by Lincoln J. Carter, had its initial production in Decatur last night, before an appreciative audience. The scenic effects were new and ingenious, showing a section of the 1871 fire in Chicago, the terror and losses of the people, and also the drawbridge scene with a locomotive approaching from a great distance down the centre of the stage. The scenery was all right, but the support was rather weak.

Presbyterian Y. P. S. C. E.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Presbyterian church will give a novel entertainment and social this evening in the social rooms of the church. It will represent a tourists' excursion to Washington to witness the inauguration ceremonies. There will be a railroad office agent, train, crew, messenger boys, peanut boy, etc., etc. Among the passengers for the capital city there will be a bride and groom from the country. The train will stop en route for refreshments.

Odor for Justice.

J. Q. A. Odor comes before the people again as an independent candidate for justice of the peace. He is one of our oldest citizens and as to his personality and qualifications, he needs no introduction. He has made a faithful justice. He is subject only to the votes of the people and asks their support.

Bicycle Repairing.

Our repair department is the best in the state of Illinois, and is in charge of a man with sixteen years' experience in this work. Our repair material is all high quality. All work guaranteed. H. Mueller Gun Co.—1-dtf

Seed Distribution.

New seed store complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Lean & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—9-dw&tf

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Take Contra-Cold Tablets, guaranteed or money refunded by all druggists, 30c.

Charity Board Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Charity board will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the W. C. T. U. rooms. By order of the president.

Debate at the High School.

This afternoon a debate was held by the members of the senior Shakespeare classes of the high school. The question was, "Resolved, That Hamlet was not insane." The affirmative was taken by Wayne Williams and Miss Cordelia Williams and the negative by Miss Myrtle Flint and Miss Lena Bonbrake. Mrs. George Haworth and Mrs. R. L. Walston were invited to act as judges.

Central at Elwin.

The attendance at the central examination held at Elwin, March 1, was exceedingly good this year. The following earned the honors: In the higher course, Bert Chick, rank one, average, 97, of the Grand Prairie school; Byron Williams, rank two, average 96¼, of the Boody school. In the seventh year, Jessie Jones, rank one, average, 94¾, of the Elwin school; while rank two was a tie between Bessie Hutchinson and Johnnie Pieffer, both of the Enterprise school. May Dills of Elm Grove school, took rank three.

Funerals To-Day.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Susana Epler was held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from the residence on East Condit street. The services were conducted by Rev. King and the burial was at Greenwood cemetery. The pall bearers were Henry Wagner, A. Kramer, William Garrett, Daniel Reeme, A. F. Gebhart and F. M. Kelso.

The funeral of the late Peter Solls was held at 3 o'clock this afternoon from the residence, 897 South Colfax street. The burial was at Greenwood cemetery.

New Teams Organized.

The game of basket ball is arousing a good deal of interest in the city and a number of new teams have been organized. The employes of the Mueller Manufacturing company have organized two teams and will play soon with the Y. M. C. A. club. The latter have received challenges from St. Louis and expect to go to that city and have a return game in this city. They will go to Springfield soon to play the Y. M. C. A. club of that place. A challenge has been sent to the Bloomington club and the manager of the local team is communicating with a number of clubs in other cities. The people seem to be interested in the game and the players believe that they will have no trouble in securing attendance at any games they give in public.

Mr. Midkiff for Constable.

Harry K. Midkiff comes before the people of Decatur township again as a candidate for constable, subject to the action of the Republican convention. His formal announcement appears in this issue. Everybody knows Harry and everybody knows that he has made an excellent officer. He not only has a wide personal acquaintance in the township and county, but he possesses the knowledge of the law and experience so essential to an efficient constable. He is always active and energetic, and business men who have had dealings with him, know that he is worthy of renomination and election. Harry requests that the Republican voters remember him favorably at the primaries.

FOR BEATING HIS WIFE.

Eugene Cussins On Trial in the County Court Charged With Assault and Battery.

Eugene Cussins, the man who was arrested for beating his wife, was on trial this afternoon before Judge Hammer in the county court. Attorney Wilson defended Cussins and Attorney A. H. Mills prosecuted the case. Cussins it seems disproved of his wife's actions and it is claimed that he beat her. The trial will probably come to a close before night. The jury in the case was composed of the following: W. W. Foster, John S. Jones, George Nicholson, M. J. Wallace, William Montgomery, J. W. James, W. C. Pluck, Jr., T. Vest, F. McCarty, William Leake and F. Blume.

NO ARRESTS MADE.

John Bunch Refuses to Appear Against the Woman Who Cut Him with a Razor.

John Bunch, a young negro man who works in Hollinger's barber shop, is nursing a wound which he received in a fight with Annie Piper, a colored woman yesterday morning. It appears that Bunch and the Piper woman have been quite intimate and that the woman believed her lover was not as devoted as he had been. Yesterday morning Bunch told the woman to leave his room and she attacked him with a razor and inflicted several painful wounds. The man's hand was badly cut and he had several cuts on his neck and face. He will not be able to work for several weeks. No arrests have yet been made. The police say that Bunch refuses to prosecute the woman so the matter will probably not go any further.

Bribery in Kansas.

Topeka, Kan., March 2.—Senators Titus and Jumper arose in the senate and stated that they had been offered $1000 each to support certain measures, concerning the Kansas City stock yard. The parties offering the bribe were named. One of the men, Al Touchie, has been arrested.

Marriage Licenses.

Alfred B. Champion, Mt Zion, 54.
Mary A. Kaufman, Mt. Zion, 47.
Harvey E. Hilbrant, Argenta, 22.
Maggie Seackhouse, Argenta, 18.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—J. W. McClellan went to Champaign last night.

—T. D. Smith has gone to Springfield on a business trip.

—Mrs. Arthur Hartley is visiting relatives in Jacksonville.

—John B. Maus, of St. Louis, is in the city visiting friends.

—George R. Steele, who has been seriously ill, is better

—John R. Dougherty is confined to his home by illness.

—Dennis Bradley is home from a visit to Canada and New York

—B. K. Durfee was in the city yesterday from Springfield

—Miss Mattie Bennington is ill at her home on North Dunham street

—Albert C. Stifel left yesterday for Des Moines, Iowa, on a business trip

—George Dunston left today for Chicago where he will attend the grand opera.

—Ross Hockaday, chairman of the county board, was in the city today on business.

—Miss Garrett, of Burlington, Iowa, arrived in the city today to visit Miss Maud Burrows.

—Mrs. J. F. Mattes and children left last night for St. Louis where they will visit friends for a week.

—Miss Bertha Bowers, who has been in the city visiting friends, has returned to her home in Bloomington

Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Hinkle, 322 South Union street, last evening entertained a few of their friends with cards

—Miss Daisy Wheeler of Edwardsville, visited in the city yesterday with Miss Spalding. She was on her way to Chicago where she will visit friends

—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Pratt and daughters, who came down from Chicago last evening to attend the funeral of Mrs. I. J. Davis, returned home at noon today

THE CITIZENS' MUTUAL CO

Brief Session at the Adjourned Meeting of the Stockholders

The adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens' Mutual Telephone company was held last night. It was of very brief duration. Nearly all the stock was represented. The meeting was called to order. On motion an adjournment was immediately taken until April 15, when it is understood something definite will take place. The old management is in full charge of the plant.

The Fire at Casey.

Casey, March 3.—The losers by the big fire at this place were Funk & Sons bank, H. & B. Lee company, I. L. Shekle, D. C. Sturddevent, R. A. Lee M. C. Cochenour, M. Sanford & Sons Hanks & Clark and others. Property valued at $200,000 was destroyed. A strong wind was blowing at the time. The flames soon spread to two adjoining blocks and the entire business portion and the entire business portion of the town was in danger. The Casey bank building is wrecked. The vault, however is intact. The postoffice is badly damaged, but the mail was destroyed. The block in which the fire started was almost completely destroyed. It was the handsomest in the town.

Lillian Russell Short of Cash.

New York, March 2.—For some time it has been whispered among theatrical people in this city that Lillian Russell has been and is financially embarrassed.

There seems to be some ground for this rumor, because of the fact that Miss Russell last week sold her house in Seventy-sixth street, this city, to W. C. Reick, city editor of the New York Herald

This house, which has been the apple of Miss Russell's eye, was sold for a sum approximating $50,000.

Strayed or Stolen

On Saturday a bay mare pony, fourteen hands high, black mane and tail, weighs about 950 pounds, wore saddle and bridle at time of disappearance. A liberal reward will be paid for any information leading to her recovery. Jack Myers, 738 North College.

Open.

The H. S. Edwards short order restaurant in the Ennis building next to the Millikin bank is now open. It is fitted up in elegant shape. Mr. Edwards was formerly with the Loper restaurant

The Princes of the Orient will hold a meeting tomorrow evening. There are about thirty-five new members to be initiated.

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THE INAUGURATION.

President-Elect McKinley and Party in Washington.

PLANS PERFECT FOR THE CHANGE.

One More Day of Grover, and Then Republicans Will be on Guard—Great Crowds Flock to the National Capital.

Washington, March 3.—The day before the inauguration opened moist and warm and by 10 o'clock a slow, steady drizzle set in. The downfall, however, is hailed by the local weatherwise as a harbinger of clear skies tomorrow. This prediction is re-infoored by that of Weather Chief Moore, who issued a special bulletin, saying the day would be clear, cool and bracing. The railroads continued through the night and day to pour in the crowds constantly. The rush of military companies and civic organizations is fairly begun, but few having reached here yesterday. Around the larger hotels there is a great crush and at the Ebbitt house where the president-elect is staying there is a perfect jam. Major McKinley retired late and rose early, for Washington, but was thoroughly refreshed. When he appeared for breakfast at 8 o'clock he looked the picture of health and strength. At the table besides the president-elect were Mrs. McKinley and Grandma McKinley. No one was admitted to the breakfast room save two or three intimate friends. By 9 o'clock the lobby of the Ebbitt house was crowded by persons anxious to see Mr. McKinley. So many were Ohio badges and the name "Ohio" was so often uttered, that one was reminded of the phrase "United States of Ohio," common in the days of Hayes' administration. Only a few were successful in their efforts to reach the president-elect. Senator Porter and near friends realizing that Mr. McKinley had an exhausting day before him, even if he confined to receptions to cases of immediate importance, gave orders that only a chosen few should be admitted. Mr. Hanna was among earliest callers. Of course he found no difficulty in making his way into the reserved section of the hotel. About 9 o'clock notice came to Mr. McKinley that a delegation sought to meet him and make a presentation. The appointment had been made in advance for this. Mr. McKinley descended to the second floor and met the delegation headed by Postmaster General Wilson who, in a very neat, though informal way, presented a diamond studded badge of the Semi Alpha Epsilon fraternity of which Mr. McKinley is a member. Mr. McKinley accepted the badge in suitable terms and promised to wear it tomorrow. Some time was then spent in exchanging greetings with friends who had gathered in the parlors. Soon after 10 o'clock Mr. McKinley returned to his private apartment and disposed of matters connected with the inauguration, requiring immediate attention.

Exchanged Calls.

At 11 o'clock Mr. McKinley quietly stepped out of the hotel and entered a carriage with Secretary Porter and Chairman Bell of the inauguration committee. He went to pay an official visit to President Cleveland at the White House. Few people on the street knew who were the occupants of the carriage as it whirled down Pennsylvania avenue. The party was shown directly to the blue parlor where they were met by President Cleveland and Secretary Thurber. The president walked with much less stiffness than he has shown for some days, and unless he suffers a relapse will be able to participate in tomorrow's ceremonies. The meeting between the incoming and outgoing presidents lasted only a few minutes. Then Mr. McKinley returned to the Ebbitt house and an hour later, according to custom, President Cleveland returned the call accompanied by Mr Thurber. The carriage was driven to the doorway of the hotel and the crowd was forced to admit the passage of the president. As he walked through the rotunda the president plainly showed that he was suffering. The right foot was clad in a cloth slipper and though he favored it as much as possible it was evident that every step it caused him pain. The visit was very brief and the president returned on his way back to the White House.

Prospects of the Big Parade.

Washington, March 3.—General Porter is kept hard at work at headquarters arranging for the big inaugural parade on Thursday. A rough estimate of the number of regular and militia troops and sailors who will be in line gives an aggregate of 11,000 to 12,000. The escort of President McKinley will number